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Sheung Shui.....dep.	7.38	9.33	10.12	11.25	12.55	2.13	5.29	6.22
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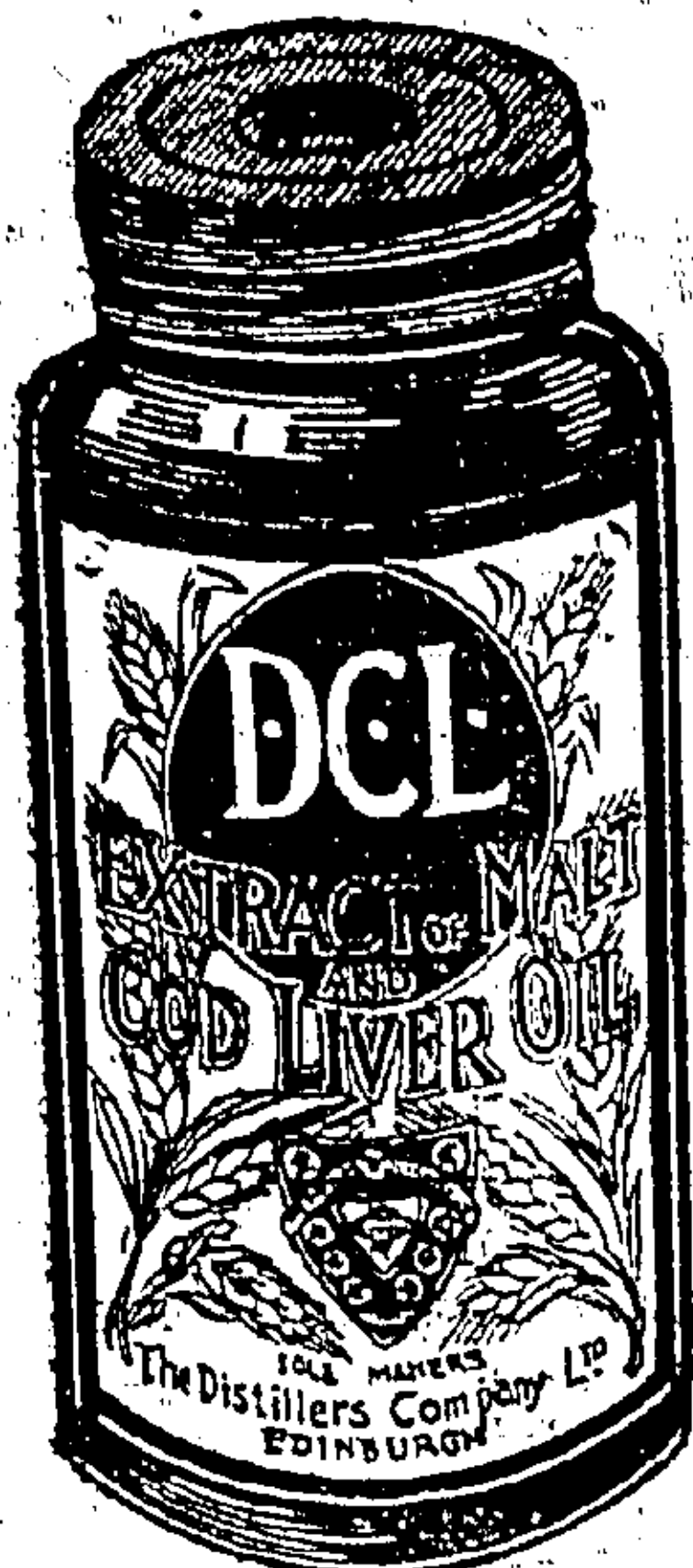
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[BY DR. JOHN DARROCH.]

The writer of the following article, which appears in the *Bible in the World*, is the agent in China of the Religious Tract Society. He tells us: "The action of the Chinese Board of Education in devising and introducing into primary schools a phonetic script has been watched with great attention by different people. That the oldest and, what was or ages, the most civilised nation on earth should, at this late day, abandon the pictorial character in which is enshrined its vast literature and proceed to learn the A B C, albeit a Chinese alphabet, arrests the attention of even the ordinary 'man in the street.' It is not wonderful that many Chinese scholars oppose the introduction of the new writing and deny its usefulness. Themselves masters of a copious and facile language, they regard the proposed concession to foreign ways of thinking, and feel it to be an insult to the ancient sages who shaped the thought of the nation ages ago. This attitude is not unreasonable; but we must remember that those who adopt it know only their own language, and have not the same means of judging the power of a phonetic script to represent ideas as we have who have been nurtured in the use of the alphabetical system of writing.

It must be remembered that all written language began with ideograms. The cave man making pictures on the bones of the animals whose flesh he had eaten was taking the first step towards the invention of writing. He was using symbols—lines scratched on a flat surface—to transfer the ideas begotten in his own mind to the mind of others. This is surely the function of writing. The next steps are natural and inevitable. The symbols used are simplified until they lose their pictorial character and do not in the least resemble the objects which they indicate. Sound values begin to attach themselves to the originally pictorial symbols and phonetic writing is evolved. China has the unique distinction of still retaining the hills, the river, the deer, and the moon pictures in every day use in the written language, whereas all other nations have long discarded them for a more convenient alphabetical script.

EARLY CHINESE PHONOGRAMS.

Moreover, the phonetic principle found its way very early into Chinese writing, and a large proportion of the characters in the language are phono-grams rather than picto-grams. For instance, the character *Kung*, "a labourer" resembled a capital "I" in our language. It was originally, in all probability, a picture of the man bowed at his task. When it became necessary to differentiate the product of labour from the labourer, another primary, the radical for "strength," was added to the ideograph "labour," and the new character "labour" or "merit" was born. Because it is a meritorious act to produce by labour was added to the language. But the new character took its sound from the old and was still read *Kung*. The list might be extended, or another primitive chosen, and many derivatives shown which retained the phonetic value of the original, but indicated each a new idea expressed by the same sound. In spite of this the Chinese language did not develop into a phonetic script as did the Egyptian, but the fact that the phonetic principle is, to some extent, recognised in the characters which compose the written language does show that there is a stepping-stone between the old pictographic characters and the new phonetic script.

MULTIPLICITY OF HOMOPHONES.

It is objected sometimes that because the language of China contains so many homophones—as *tao*, *too*, *two*—a phonetic script is necessarily unintelligible. Take the word *tao*: there are not as in the case of the English "to," three words with the same sound, but the language contains at least thirty words pronounced *tao* and, in script, all written alike. There is an equally large number of *Hung's*, *Li's* and *Hui's*. How, it is asked, is a reader to tell which of the thirty *Tao's* is meant when, in print, all are spelled exactly alike? In reply to this it may be pointed out that the phonetic script reproduces the sounds of the language as spoken. Common conversation is interlarded with homophonous *tao's* and *hang's*, and yet the people do understand each other with apparently no more difficulty than we find in speaking English to a fellow-countryman. It may be objected that in conversation the "tone" (there are four tones in Pekingese and five in Chinese as spoken in Central China) indicates the particular *tao* to be understood. Well, the tones can be, and are, printed as well as spoken.

The spoken language differs from the written in this, that while the written is terse, the spoken is diffuse: *tan*, "a knife," is written as a single word by itself, but in speech becomes double, and is spoken *tan-tai*; *to*, "doctrine," in speech becomes *tan-li*; *dao*, "inverted," becomes *tan-lian*; and so on. Phonetic script reproduces the spoken language and its use is doubly to be desired, because it is not only easy to learn, but easy to understand. The anomaly which exists with the Chinese language as written in character, that a pupil may, and actually does, read the whole of the four books, spending about four years in the process, and at the end of that time does not understand a word of what he has read if it is understood.

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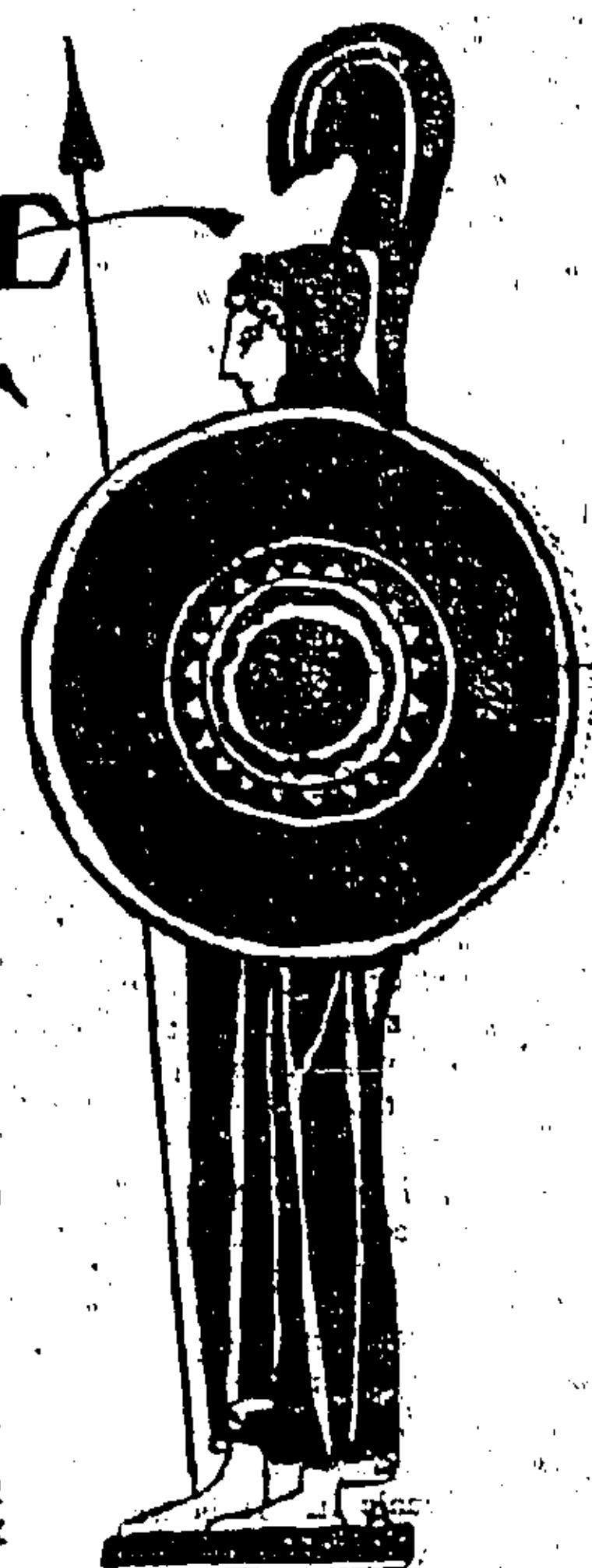
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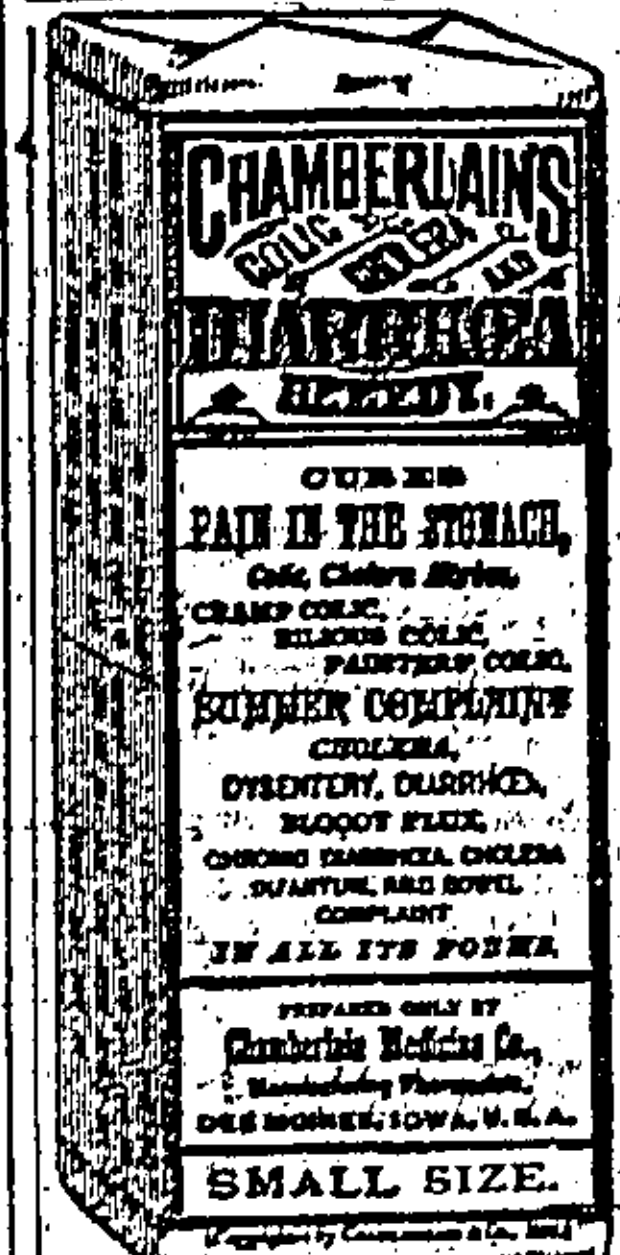
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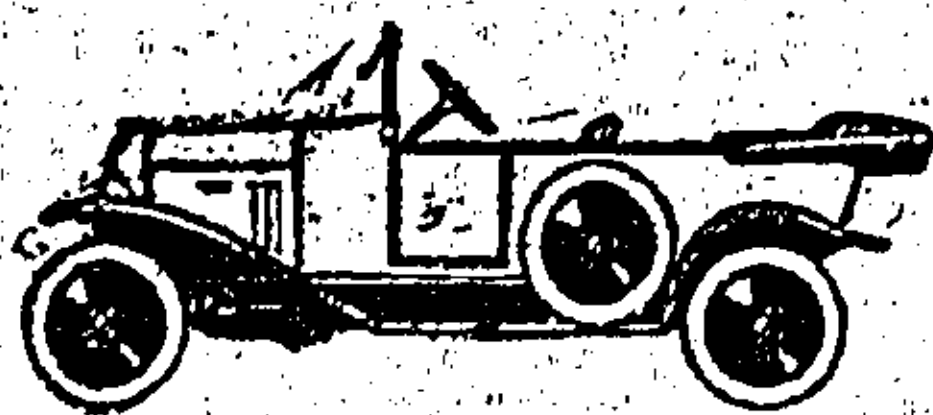
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GOVERNMENT MINTS
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The Chinese Economic Bulletin, compiled and published by the Chinese Government Bureau of Economic Information, says:—

The first Government mint in China was organized at Canton in 1899 through the efforts of the late Viceroy Chang Chih-tung. Before that date, silver and brass cash were the prevailing currency in the interior of China. In the treaty ports Mexican dollars sometimes took the place of silver. The Canton Mint at first confined its operations to the issue of dollar and silver fractional coins. In 1900 it was authorized to issue also ten-cash copper coins. The privilege of establishing a mint was granted to Fukien province in the same year. As a result of an Edict issued in 1901, Government mints were established in Chihli, Shantung, Hunan, Hubei, Honan, Kiangsu, Anhwei, Kiangsi, Szechuan, Chekiang, Fengtien and Kirin provinces. Three mints specially designed to issue copper coins also came into existence at Tientsin, Tsing-tung, Kiangsu province, and Foochow, Fukien province, respectively. In 1905, Kwangsi, Yunnan, and Kweichow provinces each obtained permission from the Government to establish mints for the issue of copper.

By that time there were in all 20 Government mints located in seventeen different provinces. Indiscriminate issue ultimately led to the flooding of the money market with a variety of coins differing from one another in weight and fineness. To check this currency chaos the Board of Revenue forbade the establishment of any new mints in the provinces, and issued orders to the provincial mints limiting new coin issues. This step, however, did not prove adequate to remedy the confusion, and the Board had to resort to more far-reaching reforms. In 1906, at the instance of the Board, an Edict was issued, reducing the number of mints in the country to nine. The mint in Shantung and that at Tientsin were merged into one, those in Hunan and Hubei, in Anhwei, Kiangsi and Kiangsu, in Chekiang and Fukien and in Kwangtung and Kwangsi were similarly dealt with. The mints in Fengtien, Honan, Szechuan and Yunnan were retained. They were all placed under the direct control of the Board of Revenue. Attempts were then made to standardize coin issues. The mint at Tientsin was made the Head or Central Mint, which issued a set of new, uniform moulds to replace those used by the provincial mints. An official system was drawn up for the Government mints. For the Tientsin mint, a Director-General, under title of Chien-tai, and a Co-Director were appointed, and for each of the provincial mints a Chief, known as Chung-pai, and an Assistant Chief. Each mint was also divided into sections under separate sectional chiefs. These efforts at standardizing the currency, however, were checked by the outbreak of the Revolution in 1911.

During the mutiny of March 2nd, 1912, the Tientsin Central Mint was looted and its plant destroyed. What remained was removed to the Peiyang Mint, which was established at Tientsin in the T'ang dynasty to mint copper coins. In 1914, a new plant was installed on the site of the former Tientsin Central Mint. A Chien-tai or Director-General was appointed and it was reinstated to its former status as the Central Mint. The Tientsin Mint, of which the Peiyang Mint is now only a branch, is still considered the Central Mint, although it has long ceased to exercise authority over the provincial mints.

The Tientsin Central Mint, under the present official system, is divided into three departments: the general department, the works department, and the assaying and analysis department, each under a departmental chief. There are four senior and four junior technical experts, four inspectors, one secretary, and eighteen clerks. In the Tientsin branch mint only two senior and two junior technical experts and twelve clerks are employed.

The mints in the provinces are now quite independent of the Tientsin Central Mint or the Government and are completely under the control of the provincial officials. Some of the provincial mints, which were closed in the T'ang dynasty as the result of the mergers, have been reopened. The mints now operating in the provinces, not including the Central and branch mints at Tientsin, are the Fengtien Mint at Mukden, the Kiangsu Mint at Nanking, the Hubei Mint at Wuchang, the Szechuan Mint at Chengtu, the Kwangtung Mint at Canton, the Yunnan Mint at Kunming, the Chekiang Mint at Hangchow, and the Anhwei Mint at Anking. A new mint was opened at Kalgan last year, and a mint at Shanghai is in process of organization.

Attempts have recently been made by the Ministry of Finance to adopt a uniform official system for all the Government mints in the country. As the mints in the provinces differ widely from one another in their equipment and working capacity, the Ministry has divided them into two classes according to their importance. The Central Mint at Tientsin and the new mint at Shanghai are graded in the first class and the other mints in the provinces, in the second class. The Chief or the Director of a first class mint has the title of Chien-tai and his official status is in the "Directly Appointed" Class. The chiefs of the second class mints are officials of the "Recommended" Class, ranking one grade lower than the first-class mint chiefs.

An Ordinance governing National Currency was promulgated in 1914 and, in pursuance of the injunctions of the Government, the Tientsin Central Mint first issued the Republican dollar, which bears the effigy of President Yuan Shih-kai on one side and two rice ears on the other. In 1915, the mints at Nanking, Canton and Wuchang also turned out these new dollars. For the purpose of standardization, the provincial mints got their moulds from the Tientsin mint. The weight of the new coin was fixed at seven mace and two candareens and its fineness was at first determined at 90 per cent., but later on was changed to 89 per cent. To prevent debased coins from being issued by

the provinces, provincial mints were required to send sample coins to the Ministry of Finance for inspection before circulation took place.

In 1916 the mints at Tientsin and Nanking began to issue subsidiary coins, which were designed to replace the old depreciated fractional coins and thereby to eliminate the confusion and the complications in the difference of the exchange rates between the dollar and subsidiary coins resulting from the depreciation of the latter. This example was followed by other provincial mints. For a time the new subsidiary coins were circulated at par, but political disturbances frustrated the plan of the Government. Provincial chiefs, now look upon the mints in their provinces as sources of revenue. Handsome profits have been made by issuing debased subsidiary coins. Some of the provincial mints, finding it more profitable to issue dollar coins and have stopped issuing dollar coins and have devoted themselves entirely to the turning out of 50-cent pieces and copper coins. The market, being flooded with such debased coins, the public has to accept them at a discount. At present the exchange rate of the new subsidiary coins on the Peking market is about 10 per cent. below their face value.

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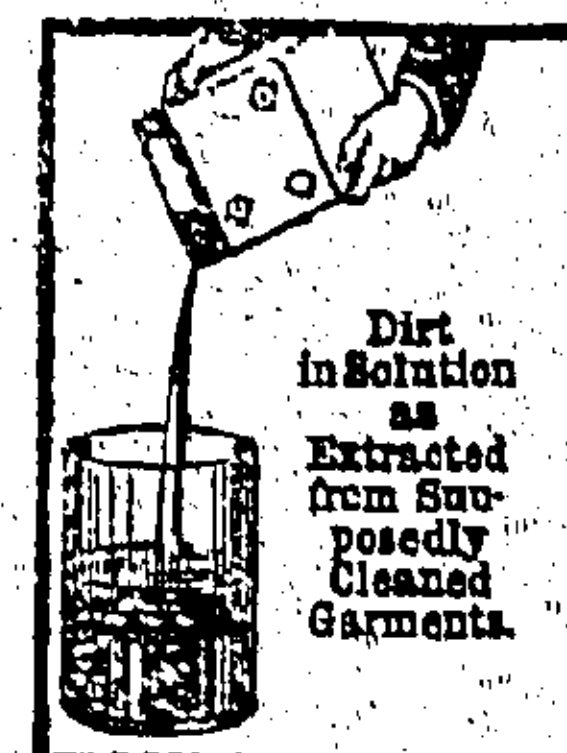
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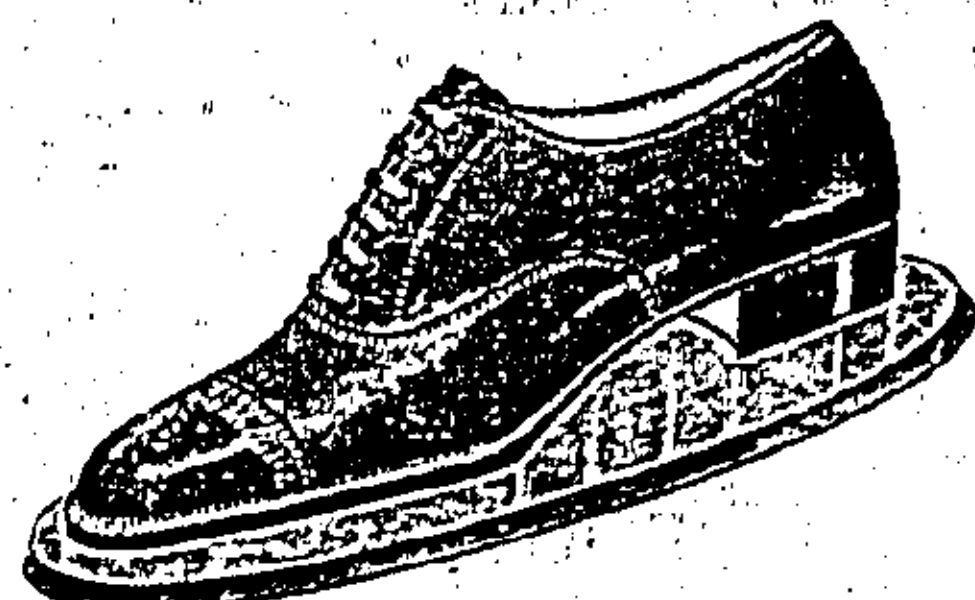
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HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

A YEAR'S ACTIVITIES.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided at the
annual meeting of the Hongkong Bene-
volent Society, held at City Hall yester-
day.

The Chairman read the Report of the
Ladies' Committee which said that since
the Society was founded in 1889, its work
has been so well known in Hongkong and
the Far East, that it seems hardly neces-
sary to give any details of its general
principals. However as we draw a large
part of our funds from the ever chang-
ing public, it may be well to give some
brief details. Since the inception of the
Society more than 1,658 cases have passed
through its hands. During 1923 there
were twenty-five new cases not including
several cases from the previous year.

Help in some form or another was given
and in all cases clothing. Amongst the
recipients of help were British, Ameri-
cans, Russians, Malays, Filipinos, Greeks,
a Eurasian woman, widow of a German,
and an Englishwoman and her children
married to a Chinese. Passages have
been given, 3 to England, 5 to Singa-
pore, 2 to Shanghai, 1 to Australia.
Landing money has also been given.
Applicants for help are dealt with direct-
ly by the Secretary and Assistant Secre-
tary who attend the City Hall every Mon-
day and Thursday at 11 a.m. They
having interviewed the applicant for
relief and when due enquiries have been
made, furnish what relief may be con-
sidered necessary. The relief may take
the form of clothing, housing accommoda-
tion, monetary assistance or even re-
patriation. During the past year the
room rented by the Society in Kowloon,
where deserving cases can be lodged,
has almost continuously been occupied.
Recently Bishop Lander speaking in
Liverpool referred in no uncertain terms
to the great difficulties which were likely
to occur when a marriage was entered
into between a European and an Asiatic.
His words are fully endorsed by the
Society. [A typical example from the
many cases that have come to the So-
ciety's notice was related.]

It is pleasant to be able as in other
years to refer to the almost universal
good feeling and gratitude with which
the persons assisted by us help us in our
work.

The thanks of the Committee are due
to the Colonial Government, not only for
their annual grant of \$500 but also for
the fact that they have materially in-
creased this and now have guaranteed
us \$1,000 per annum, and also to Lady
Stubbs for \$771 the balance of the War
Charities Fund and to Lady Chater for
her gift of \$500. St. George's and St.
Andrew's Societies and the British Legion
also have been most generous in helping
with passages. The Rev. Mr. Waldegrave
has given assistance and advice, of a
peculiarly valuable nature, and we are
deeply indebted to the subscribers and
donors and the general public for their
many gifts of clothing and to Mr. Hamp-
den Ross for auditing the accounts.

During the year Mrs. Hickling in addi-
tion to her many professional duties took
the post of Secretary. Unfortunately for
us the Government recognizing her worth,
offered her duties of such a nature that
it was impossible for her to continue her
work with us. The Committee would
like to congratulate her on her important
position and to thank her for her services
in the past.

The following ladies have served on the
Committee during the year: Mrs. Arnott,
Mrs. Bernard, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Elliott,
Mrs. Carrie, Mrs. Gompertz, Mrs. Parr,
Mrs. Lang, Mrs. Holyoak, Mrs. Gray-
burn, Mrs. Featherstone, Mrs. Hickling,
Mrs. Roffey, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Fer-
guson, Miss Inness, Mrs. Murray, Mrs.
Goldsmith, Mrs. McKenny (hon. secre-
tary).

Mr. BERNARD added: It is satisfactory
to note that the funds of the Society
are in a healthy condition, and that after
transferring to fixed deposit \$500, the
years with a credit balance at the bank
of \$1,008.17 as against \$712.48 the pre-
vious year. It is gratifying also to see
that receipts for life membership have
grown from \$250 in 1922 to \$900 in 1923,
and I hope that those who have ap-
peared in the good work done by the Society
and become life members will not, for
that reason, reduce their subscriptions in
future. Although the financial result for
last year was satisfactory, I wish to point
out that the Society is dependant upon
the generosity of the public, and I trust
that those who recognize that charity has
a call upon them will subscribe liberally.
The Society has an important function to
fill in the Colony and in subscribing to
it we can rest assured that the money
will be spent to good purpose. Every
case coming before the Committee is care-
fully investigated and the Committee do
their best to render aid only in cases
where there is real and genuine distress.
Clothes, I may say, are always welcome,
and any gifts of this nature are grate-
fully received.

Before proposing the adoption of the
Report and Accounts, (he concluded) I
would like to correct an omission I
observe in the Report. Perhaps it is be-
cause Mrs. McKenny was it. It is this.
The Committee thank Mrs. Hickling for
her assistance in the past, but there is
no mention of the present Mrs. Secretary,
Mrs. McKenny, nor yet the Hon.
Treasurer, Mrs. Elliott. The of you
who are connected with the Society are
well aware of the difficult and large
amount of work that devolves upon the
Secretary and Treasurer, especially the
former, and the painstaking and able
manner in which it has been carried out.
I think, therefore, that I will have the
full support of the Meeting in thanking
them also for their services.

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HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

SMALL-POX EPIDEMIC IN CANTON.

"As small-pox is very prevalent in the
City (Canton) at the present it is urged
that residents should refrain from visit-
ing there unless for the purpose of busi-
ness." This is a copy of a notification
issued from the British Consul-General's
Office at Shamen, Canton, which was
read at yesterday's meeting of the
Sanitary Board by the Chairman (Mr.
G. R. Sayer). The Chairman also read a
letter received from the Secretary of the
Shamen Municipal Council with the
notification which stated:—

"I am directed by my Council to for-
ward you a copy of Notification No. 3
with reference to the small-pox epidemic
in Canton which has been circulated
amongst the residents of the British Con-
cession, Shamen, and which explains
itself."

"Copies have been sent to the Hong-
kong Hotel, the King Edward Hotel, the
American Express Company and Messrs.
Thos. Cook & Sons, Ltd., in order that
the attention of visitors to Canton may
be drawn to the danger of going into the
Native City at the present time."

The Board passed no comments on the
matter.

The only other business before the
meeting concerned the site for a new
public latrine in Mongkok Road and
Shanghai Street. It appears that the
Board had at a previous meeting agreed
to this site, but since then an objection
to the site had been received. Without
any discussion the Chairman formally
moved that the Board re-affirm its former
decision. This was unanimously agreed to.

This concluded the business before the
meeting.

There were present at the meeting:—

Mr. G. R. Sayer (Chairman), the Hon.
Mr. T. H. Crosby (Director of Public
Works), Mr. C. Alabaster, K.C., Mr.
Tee, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Dr. W. W.
Pearse (Medical Officer of Health) and
Mr. J. W. Fraser (Secretary).

THE SMALL POX EPIDEMIC

104 CASES LAST WEEK.

The number of cases of small-pox
notified in the Colony last week was 104
and the number of deaths was 59. All
the cases notified were Chinese with the
exception of two (one British and one
American). During the 24 hours ended
January 28th 14 further cases were
notified (one being British).

CORRESPONDENCE.

A REPROACH.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—Pity the poor Editor, and well
may you quote that phrase!

I recently read an interesting article
by the Editor of one of your contem-
poraries dealing with the subject of
"Letters to Editors"—Apparently, "Re-
liable" did not perceive that article before
wasting time with an effusion taking up
nearly three quarters of a column of your
valuable space in your issue of to-day, in
a hopeless effort to produce a humorous
skit on the piracy epidemic, and, which,
perhaps to him (or her) sounded witty.
Those aiming at humorous writings,
minus the ability to produce same should
confine their "Literary gifts" to a
Diary on "How to make Bure," and not
waste space in newspapers with trash
which is absolutely of no interest to any-
one, and which cannot evoke a smile on
any but those possessing the intelligence
of "Reliable" and Birds of a Feather.—
Yours, etc.,

"CRITIC."

Hongkong, January 29th, 1924.

The hon. treasurer's statement for the
year explained that in 1907 Sir H. Mody
presented the Society with \$10,000 which
was invested in Hongkong Club Debentures.
This fund now consisted of 22
Debentures of \$500 each and \$500 in
Bank on Fixed Deposit, the latter repre-
senting one debenture drawn for payment
last year. The Turner Fund consisted of
10 Royal Hongkong Yacht Club Debentures
of \$50 each donated by Mrs. A.
Turner in 1919. During the year one
debenture was drawn for payment and
is being held for reinvestment. In 1920
the widow of the late J. R. M. Smith
presented the Society with \$200 which
was invested in 5 per cent. War Loan.
Thirty-five shares in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company
were purchased by the Society in 1919.
Life Membership Subscriptions amount-
ing to \$150 in 1920, \$150 in 1921, \$250 in
1922 and \$900 for the period under review
had not been invested as the money had
been urgently required for necessitous
cases. A further sum of \$233.33 on Fixed
Deposit represented the residue of an
amount reserved for a special case. This
will, in due course, be paid to the bene-
ficiary. Under the will of the late Sir
Ellis Kadoorie the Society was granted a
legacy of \$200 per annum, the first pay-
ment of which was received in February
last.

The following committee was elected
for 1924: Mrs. Gompertz (President),
Mrs. Holyoak (Vice-President), Mrs.
Murray (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. McKenny
(Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Goldsmith (Asst.
Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Arnott, Mrs. Cava-
lier, Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Airey, Mrs. Dun-
bar, Mrs. Owen Hughes, Mrs. Cook, Mrs.
Carrie, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Lindsay, and
Mrs. Mackenzie (members of Committee).
The report and statement of accounts
for 1923 were adopted unanimously, and
the passing of a vote of thanks to Mr.
Bernard for presiding terminated the
proceedings.



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CLAIM AGAINST A BANK. A STARTLING TURN. LOCAL BARRISTER AS FORGERY EXPERT.

Before the Chief Justice and a Special Jury at the Supreme Court yesterday the hearing was continued of the civil action in which a firm of Chinese merchants, Messrs. Tai Wo and Co., 1, Eastern Street, are suing the Bank of East Asia for the sum of \$72,000.

Mr. F. C. Jenkins is appearing for plaintiffs, and Messrs. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Campbell Prosser represent defendants.

Plaintiff's claim is based upon the alleged wrongful payment of two cheques totalling the amount in question. They maintain that the signature "Lau Se Yuen" (partner in the plaintiff firm), which was on both cheques, had been forged.

Defendants, in turn, allege fraudulent intent on the part of the Tai Wo firm in attempting to secure the sum of \$72,000, the same having already been paid out by the Bank. The two cheques were drawn in favour of the Yangtze Trading Company, which, according to Counsel for defendants, does not now exist.

In the afternoon the case took a startling turn. Mrs. Dovey, after being cross-examined by Mr. Jenkins, was constrained to withdraw a material amount of his evidence directed at proving that the signatures on all the documents—genuine and suspected—were the handwork of one man, the plaintiff Lau Se Yuen. Counsel undertook the role of handwriting expert. He apparently proved to the satisfaction of at least Mr. Dovey that the signature on the application form for a cheque book had been traced. He presented the Chief Justice with a forged specimen of his Lordship's signature. He then showed the Court how it was done. By the time the Court rose for the day, Mr. Dovey was still in the witness-box, and everyone was taking lessons in the twin arts of forgery and its detection at the hands of Mr. Jenkins.

EXPERT EVIDENCE.

Cross-examination of the chief coolie who took the new cheque book to the plaintiff firm opened the proceedings yesterday. Mr. Jenkins, after questioning the witness regarding his procedure on the day in question, put it to him that, on that day, he did not take a new cheque book to the firm. Witness said he did.

Li Chi Fong, manager of the Bank of East Asia, produced a book giving the movements of the coolies who delivered cheque books, etc. This second book was kept by the head coolie. Witness pointed to an entry showing that a new cheque book was taken by the coolie to the Tai Wo firm on 19th October. The coolie was marked out at 3.42 p.m. and marked in at 4.50 p.m.

Mr. Jenkins interposed to the effect that he did not dispute the statement that the coolie left the Bank. What Counsel maintained was that the coolie did not go to the plaintiff firm.

Witness in the course of his examination said cheque books of the old type were printed locally. The new type of books had been printed in England by Messrs. Waterlow. Every one of the new cheque books still at the Bank contained an application form.

Witness then described what happened when anyone opened an account. There was no necessity for a new customer to sign an application form in order to obtain a cheque book. One was issued to him, and he signed a receipt for it. Witness recognised the receipt signed by Lau Se Yuen when this customer opened his account. All unused cheque books were kept under lock and key. Only the cashier and sub-manager had a key.

Cross-examined, witness said the new cheque books were kept in a vault and brought up in small quantities to be stamped at the Post Office. The books were then kept in the cashier's safe, of which only the cashier and assistant cashier had keys. When a new customer opened an account the cashier personally handed the cheque book to him. Most accounts were opened at the Bank with a shop and a signature. Witness attached as much importance to one as to the other as an authority to pay out money. A new cheque book would only be handed to a client personally. A *foki* could not take away a book even if he brought a properly signed application form. There were no loose application forms at the Bank, and there had been no complaints from customers as to the absence of application forms from their cheque books.

Mr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, then called the defence. He said he had made a special study of handwriting. He had examined all the documents in the case—cheques, drafts, the application form, etc.—and was of the opinion that the signature "Lau Se Yuen" had been written in every instance by the same hand. The writing in the bodies of the cheques was also written by the same hand, with one small exception.

Witness stated that when he first examined the suspected cheques he discovered two or three points about them which indicated they were forgeries. There were several places where the writing had been obviously touched up.

The suspected cheques were then exhibited to the Chief Justice, Counsel and the Jury by Mr. Dovey, who explained what he meant when he said the handwriting on the cheques had been touched up.

Mr. Dovey, continuing, said that the dissimilarities first led him to think the signatures were forgeries, but later he came to the conclusion that the alterations were done intentionally in order to make the writing appear dissimilar. There were two other points why he first thought the signatures were forgeries, one being that the capital "S" on one suspected cheque was not linked up with its following letter. Why he was satisfied that all the signatures were by Lau Se Yuen, was because the plaintiff wrote in a continuous line without raising his pen, and for a man to forge such a signature was exceedingly hard. It meant that he had to go right to the finish once he had begun, and in the minor characteristics the writings were similar. A forger was always likely to copy the prominent characteristics and not the minor ones, and it was not possible for a forger to write a name without raising his pen once from the paper and retain in that signature the minor characteristics. He was of opinion that the suspected signatures were genuine.

In regard to the examination of the cheques, witness said he detected no differences between the genuine and suspected with the naked eye, but did so when enlarged photographs of the cheques were prepared. He then came to the conclusion that the impressions on the four suspected documents were not from the same chop as the impression on the original document.

COUNSEL'S DISCLOSURE.

Cross-examined, Mr. Dovey said he first suspected the documents about three weeks ago. Witness agreed that superimposition was one way of discovering whether one signature was a forgery of another.

Superimposition, explained Mr. Jenkins, consisted of tracing both signatures—the genuine and the suspected—and placing one over the other. If the tracings tallied, the suspected signature was a forgery. It had been established that a person never wrote his signature twice in exactly the same manner.

Witness said he had never adopted the superimposition test with the documents in the case.

Mr. Jenkins then asserted that within 15 minutes of the alleged forged cheques coming into his possession he discovered, by the aid of a special magnifying glass and an electric light, that the signature in one instance had been traced from that on an original cheque. The name "Lau Se Yuen," continued Counsel, with the exception of the bottom loop of the "L," had been most carefully stencilled.

Mr. Dovey, having examined the cheque, admitted that a point had been passed over the whole signature; there was a groove over the writing.

In reply to a Juror, witness said he did not think that groove had been done by the pen with which the signature has been written.

Witness said, in reply to Counsel, that it now looked as if the signature on the cheque had been traced.

AN INTERLUDE.

At this stage Mr. Jenkins handed the Chief Justice a bundle of papers bearing his Lordship's signature.

"Does your Lordship recognise that signature?" he asked.

"I do," replied the Chief Justice.

"Well—I did that!" blantly observed Counsel. (Laughter.)

His Lordship: "Did you? We shall begin to suspect you of forging the documents." (Laughter.)

Mr. Jenkins: "It is my first effort in forgery, and I am glad your Lordship thinks well of it. I intend having a shot at Mr. Potter's signature on a cheque for \$80,000." (Laughter.)

Mr. Potter: "It wouldn't be of any use to you." (Laughter.)

Mr. Jenkins then explained how it was possible to trace a signature with the aid of a little graphite.

Mr. Dovey, again under cross-examination, agreed with what the expert criminologist Hans Gross said in his "Criminal Investigation," viz: "Close comparative measurements will demonstrate that a suspected signature has been traced from a genuine one."

EVIDENCE WITHDRAWN.

Counsel then instructed witness to make some comparative measurements from the writing on a genuine cheque and that on the application form. The measurements more or less tallied. Witness, pressed by Counsel, said that in face of what he had seen, there was not much doubt that the signature on the application form was a forgery.

Counsel: Then, Mr. Dovey, you must withdraw that part of your evidence which was directed at establishing that the signatures were the same.

Witness: Yes.

Counsel: In view of that, do you still hold the confirmed opinion that all the rest of the writing has been written by Lau Se Yuen himself.

Witness: Hardly.

Counsel then put to witness questions regarding similarity between the signatures, eventually eliciting the opinion that witness had not much doubt that the signatures on the two cheques were also forgeries.

Of two innocent parties, continued Counsel, the Bank of East Asia on one side and plaintiff on the other, have you not a doubt in your mind that, through the instrumentality of some forger, both the Bank and the plaintiff have been defrauded?

Witness: It is quite likely.

Counsel: You haven't much doubt?

Witness: No.

This concluded the cross-examination of Mr. Dovey.

Mr. Potter asked permission to take the two cheques out of court for purposes of examination, having regard to Mr. Dovey's later evidence and the case brought out by the plaintiff side. This being agreed to, Mr. Potter added that he would reserve his re-examination of the last witness until the next day's hearing.

On the Court rising the Chief Justice intimated his desire to see Counsel for both sides in Chambers.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL. ANNUAL MEETING OF CHURCH BODY.

The Bishop of Victoria (the Rt. Rev. C. R. Duggan, D.D.) presided at the annual meeting of seatholders and subscribers of St. John's Cathedral, held in the Cathedral Hall last evening. He was supported by the members of the outgoing Church Body, the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, M.A. (Chaplain), Rev. T. B. Powell, M.A. (Assistant Chaplain), Messrs. A. Dyer Ball, A. H. Compton, George Hogg, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, J. Wicheil, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L. (the new organist), and a large gathering including Sir Wm. Rees-Davies (Chief Justice), Sir Claud Severn (Colonial Secretary) and others.

The Bishop, in opening the meeting, said he thought it would be a real strength if each year a social gathering of this sort could be held before the annual meeting. He asked those present to make a special note of two dates: Monday, March 10th, when the Church of England Diocesan Conference began. In the afternoon of that day there would be an open session, when Bishop Molony would speak, and he hoped as many as possible would attend. March 11th was the date of the Victoria Diocesan Association Reception at the City Hall to meet Bishop Graves of Shanghai and Bishop Norris of Peking. The General Synod was to hold its triennial meeting this year in Canton from March 16th to 23. There would be fifteen or so Bishops attending the Synod, and as it was the first time they were meeting in the South, he (the Bishop) was jealous that it should be a great success.

In the name of the Church Body he welcomed three new workers who had just joined their ranks. These were Mr. Mason, the organist, the Rev. T. B. Powell, the assistant Chaplain, and the Rev. Peel. The Bishop went on to speak of the great work these three had come to do, particularly the first named, who would have to fulfill a responsible and important position of organist. He asked for backing for all these men in their work.

The Rev. Copley Moyle (Chaplain) in presenting his report, said the work in the Sunday School at the Peak was reopened in January and the scholars attended throughout the summer. The Cathedral Sunday School was held in the Church Hall, but was closed during the summer. The C.E.M.S. had shown renewed vigour and on one occasion the Rev. Kirk Macdonald and members of his congregation attended, and an interesting discussion took place on the subject of Reunion.

There had been many changes in the staff of the Cathedral and Mr. C. H. Dodson had been appointed vergier. They hoped to retain his services for many years. After 18 years' service Mr. Denma Fuller relinquished his post as organist in April, and the Church to-day has decided to commemorate his services by erecting a brass plate in the Cathedral. He had left for England, and they wished him a prosperous voyage and that his health would be restored. Mr. Temple Bevan, who temporarily took Mr. Fuller's place, threw his accustomed energy into the work. Mr. Mason had now arrived, and they wished him every success. Mr. J. T. Holman ceased to act as assistant Chaplain in the beginning of May, and they were grateful for the three years he spent services had been discontinued, the troops had attended the morning service, and they were fortunate in having the services of the Rev. R. J. Northcote the Army Chaplain as a constant preacher.

He desired to thank all clergy for their help in the Cathedral services, and all those, too numerous to mention, individually, who had given of their time and their labour for the work of the Church. The Hon. Secretary of the Cathedral, Mr. A. Dyer Ball, had had an unusual amount of work, and to him, and to Mr. C. Hogg, the Treasurer, they were all most grateful.

Mr. George Hogg (Hon. Treasurer), in presenting the Cathedral accounts for the year, said there was little room for congratulation. Not only had the debt balance increased by \$5,600, but there was an excess expenditure over 1923 of \$7,500. This was accounted for, approximately, by \$2,200 under the heading of "salaries and allowances." The cost of upkeep of the Cathedral had increased by \$800, and there was a new item in connection with the Chaplain's house, totalling \$3,600. There was also an increase of \$3,600 in the amount given away under the heading "special collections," but against these items appeared for the first time for two years "interest on credit balances at the bank." This was collected on the donation for the Chaplain's house.

In facing 1924, continued Mr. Hogg, they might, by exercising economy, be able to make ends meet. The question of special collections was one which would have to receive the attention of the incoming Church Body. It was a matter for regret that donations from the foreign community for Church expenses could not be moved higher than the present level of \$2,800. The Church Body intended financing the present deficit by bringing on to the books the debentures in the Prince's Building and the Land Company. In a few months there would be a sum of \$10,000 placed to their credit, thanks to these debentures.

The following were then elected lay members of the Church Body for 1924: Messrs. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, J. Wicheil, Sir Claud Severn, Messrs. W. L. Fattenden, O. Owen Hughes and Alro. Mr. J. E. Ross was re-elected lay auditor.

The Cathedral's delegates at the Diocesan Conference will be: Mrs. Kemp, Mr. Saunders, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, and Mrs. Jackson.

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COMPANY MEETING. CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Ltd., was held at the offices of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company yesterday morning for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of a previous extraordinary general meeting held on January 14th and of confirming, if thought fit, a number of special resolutions passed at that meeting for the purpose of altering the Articles of Association and for increasing the capital of the Company from \$2,000,000 to \$6,000,000 by the creation of 400,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$10 each.

Mr. R. G. Shewan presided over the meeting and there were also present: Mr. J. P. Warren, Mr. H. P. White and Mr. Lee Hy San (Consulting Committee), Mr. E. M. da Rocha (Secretary), and the following shareholders: Messrs. H. H. Taylor, A. A. Cordeiro, M. A. Figueiredo, Te Tian Tai, Tong Hok Ting, and Lau Shiu Chun.

After the minutes of the previous extraordinary general meeting had been read out in full by the Secretary, the CHAIRMAN said: I now propose that these minutes be confirmed and that the resolutions just read and then passed as extraordinary resolutions be now confirmed as Special Resolutions.

This was seconded by Mr. WARREN and carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN then said: I further propose that the following resolutions be passed as ordinary resolutions, viz:—

(1) That it is desirable to capitalise the sum of \$207,500 being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's reserve fund and accordingly for the purpose of effecting such capitalisation in pursuance of Article XVII of the Company's Articles of Association a bonus of \$1.75 per share on the issued shares of the Company be and the same is hereby declared and that the General Managers be and they are hereby authorised to satisfy such bonus by the distribution amongst the persons who are registered as holders of the present issue of shares of the Company on the 25th day of January, 1924, of Thirty-five of the unused shares of the Company credited as fully paid up in respect of every two hundred shares of the Company held by such persons as aforesaid and that such new ordinary shares rank *pari passu* with shares already issued as from the date of allotment with regard to dividend and that the General Managers issue to shareholders holding a number of shares which is not Two hundred or a multiple of Two hundred a fractional certificate in respect of the odd share or shares held by them, and allot one new share to every person who shall produce (within such period as the General Managers shall determine) fractional certificates making in the aggregate a total of one share.

(2) That the whole or any part of the remainder of the unused shares of the Company be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's General Managers shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

Mr. H. P. WHITE seconded the proposal which was carried unanimously. This was all the business before the meeting.

COMPANY REPORT. HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LIMITED.

The Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1923, says:—The Net Profit for that period, after deducting Directors' and General Managers' remuneration and including \$123,748.87 brought forward from last account, amounts to \$468,229.32.

Which the Directors recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

Pay a dividend of 80 cents per share	\$120,000.00
Pay a Bonus of 80 cents per share	120,000.00
Transfer to Reserve Fund	50,000.00
Transfer to Typhoon Floods Insurance Fund	10,000.00
Transfer to Special Repairs and Renewals Account	10,000.00
Carry forward to new Profit and Loss Account	158,229.32
	\$468,229.32

Directors.—In accordance with Clause No. 86 of the Company's Articles of Association, Messrs. J. Scott Harton, W. L. Fattenden, the Very Rev. Father Robert, Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, and Mr. J. M. Alves retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., and C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., and Messrs. Linstead and Davis offer themselves for election.

At the suggestion of the Bishop it was decided to send to Mr. Fuller, a cable wishing him "God speed" on his voyage home, the cable to meet him at Singapore.

Votes of thanks were passed to Sir Claud Severn, the Hon. Mr. Pollock, the Rev. D. E. Arrowsmith and others who contributed to the musical entertainment, and to the ladies who supervised the catering arrangements.

A short prayer conducted by the Bishop concluded the proceedings.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.
PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale of Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 4th day of February, 1924, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of one lot of CROWN LAND at Shaukiwan in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of the Land at the expiry of the term of 75 years.
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Q. C. O. B. ASSOCIATION.
MEMBERS OF THE QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION are invited to the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING in the College Hall on WEDNESDAY, the 30th INST., at 5.30 P.M.
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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS IN THIS COMPANY will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1924, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1923. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st February to the 9th February (both days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1924. [235]

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, The Vaux Road, Central, at 2.00 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1924, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1923.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, 31st January, to Saturday, 2nd February, 1924 (both days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1924. [203]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4, Des Vaux Road, on FRIDAY, 1st FEBRUARY, 1924, at 12 o'clock Noon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 18th January, to Friday, 1st February, 1924, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th January, 1924. [179]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as from JANUARY 29th, 1924, Our Office will be REMOVED to CHINA BUILDING (Old Post Office Site) 1st Floor.
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Hongkong, 28th January, 1924. [255]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.
AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on MONDAY, the 4th FEBRUARY, 1924, at 5 p.m. for the purpose of confirming the resolutions passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 10th January, 1924.
By Order,
C. F. BROWN, Secretary.
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NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
ONE Certificate No. 7741 for One Hundred Shares Nos. 57651 to 57750 inclusive, in this Company, standing in the Name of Mr. GEORGE HOWARD MAY (deceased) has been LOST, and if at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above Certificate be not forthcoming, another Certificate for the said Shares will be issued by the Company, and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.
A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.,
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1924. [236]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate 5/NS 7044 dated Hongkong 18th May, 1921, for 10 Shares numbered 84349 to 84358 inclusive and Certificate Provisional No. 57729 dated Hongkong 20th of February, 1924, for 3 Shares of this Bank numbered 12311/12319 inclusive, both registered in the Name of Mrs. ESTHER FANNY SELBY have been Destroyed by Fire, and should these Certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 23rd FEBRUARY, 1924, New Certificates for the Shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 7044 and Provisional No. 57729 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.
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THE DAIRY FARM, ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to Mr. TANG KWAN SHAN of 15, Arbuthnot Road, Hongkong, a DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE of 135 Shares in the Company or other Certificates or Certificates in lieu thereof upon the statement that the Original Certificates Nos. 19317 in respect of 100 Shares Nos. 192793/193883 and No. 3918 in respect of 35 Shares Nos. 193883/193924, both dated 15th April, 1921, have been Lost or Destroyed, AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 days from the Date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such Original Certificates is made to the Directors they will proceed to deal with such application for a Certificate.
J. D. THOMSON, Acting Secretary.
2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong.
28th January, 1924. [254]

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NOTICE.
THE Undersigned is not responsible for any Debts contracted by any of his Sons.
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NOTICE.
ALL Persons having Claims against the Estate of the Late Mr. GEORGE BANKER are requested to send the Same to the Undersigned.
F. E. NASH, Solicitor,
10, Queen's Road Central.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
ELLERMAN LINE.
FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT.

THE Steamship "CITY OF GLASGOW" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 1st February, 1924, will be subject to sale. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 8th February, 1924, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period of one week. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE, LTD., General Agents.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1924. [253]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER "KAEMALIA" ARRIVED HONGKONG ON 26th JANUARY, 1924. FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORTSAID, ALEXANDRIA, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed. Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary six hours before arrival of the steamer. Goods not cleared within 7 days, including date of arrival will be subject to sale. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. Damaged packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignee, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown. MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1924. [254]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "ANNA" From TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI, SPALATO, MASSAUA, PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3rd inst. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd prox. will be subject to sale. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 1st 13th prox., or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox. at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by BODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1924. [235]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "PROMETHEUS" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 28th January. Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the free storage period. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd February, will be subject to sale. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th February, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1924. [266]

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THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT'S ANNUAL PROBLEM.

As usual at this time of the year, the Chinese news from the North is mainly about the difficulties which face the Government in Peking in "tidying over China New Year." The position of Finance Minister is not an enviable one, and we have learnt from the cables during the past month something of the difficulty experienced in getting "the right man" to accept the portfolio. "The right man" is the man who knows how to raise the money needed "to tide over the new year." A Chinese news agency a fortnight ago informed us that: "As Mr. PAN YUAN LIEN has refused to accept the post of Minister of Finance and Mr. TANG, Vice-Minister, has resigned on account of illness, there is none to look after the interest of the Ministry or raise funds for its maintenance. Members of the staff have been left unpaid for a long time and in the Accounts Department there was only a small sum of a few hundred dollars left, which was used yesterday for the payment of the servants of the various Departments. Therefore, there is now not a single cent left in its safe." Since then the extremity of the need of funds has been emphasised by the announcement that "the cook of the Cabinet Office has notified the Chief of the General Affairs Department that unless he is paid within a week, he will not be in a position to provide meals for the Ministers and Secretaries any longer." There is no news yet that they have all died of starvation, so we suppose that, by hook or by crook, the cook's demand for money has been met. We know now that after weeks of persuasion Mr. WANG KAN MIN has been induced to return to the office. Mr. WANG had resigned on the plea of illness, and early in the present month he was writing to his old

colleagues who were pressing him to return, saying that prospects had become more gloomy, and his illness much worse (in consequence!) and that it would be an act of gross inconsistency for him to withdraw his resignation. Meanwhile, the Tientsin Party was urging the appointment of another and it was reported that when the President was consulted he expressed the opinion that it was a matter of indifference to him who was selected, so long as the problem of raising sufficient funds to tide over the difficulties at the end of the lunar year was solved. Mr. WANG was eventually induced to come out of his shell and accept the responsibility. On paper the Cabinet recently formed at Peking appears very promising, but how long it will survive after the New Year difficulties are surmounted is problematical. There is every indication that WANG KAN MIN is likely to share the fate of LIANG SHIN YI who was induced in similar circumstances to accept the portfolio of Finance a year ago. "The God of Wealth," as he is popularly termed, was regarded as the only man in China who could find the money needed to tide over the New Year settlement. No sooner had that been done than a movement was successfully engineered to oust him from office. And so now, while we are being told that it is the firm belief of the Chihli party that Mr. WANG KAN MIN is the only man in sight who can bring financial relief, the anti-Government party in the House of Representatives pay a tribute to his strength by campaigning against him "in order to annoy the Militarists and undermine the Cabinet of SUN PAO CHAI." Much is expected of the new Cabinet. Its promises are large at least, Mr. SUN, like Mr. RAMSAY MACDONALD, has begun by reforming the Cabinet system, and after the new year festivities are over we are promised regular meetings of the Cabinet with the Departmental Chiefs and representatives of the provincial civil and military authorities, at which such questions will be considered as the reduction of troops, reunification of the North and South, the settlement of foreign and domestic loans questions, the improvement of the civil administration in the provinces, and the advancement of education. It makes excellent reading but when we recall that these things have been in the programme of every new Cabinet that has been formed in Peking in the past decade, and that in every respect conditions have grown steadily worse in spite of the rich promises of each new Government, it is hardly possible to feel very optimistic; but we can, at least, hope that Mr. SUN PAO CHAI's Cabinet will succeed where its predecessors have so signally failed.

On Tuesday afternoon Lady Stubbs gave a small children's party. About fifty children, between the ages of two to four years, were invited. A musicale will be held at the Helena May Institute, on Thursday, 31st inst. Tea served from 4.30 p.m. Tickets 50 cts. each.—ADVT.
Lady Brungate will distribute cups to scholarship winners and other pupils of the St. Stephen's Girls' College this evening. A concert will also be held, commencing at 8 p.m.
Those ladies who have not already sent in their names and addresses for inclusion in the 1924 issue of "The Directory and Chronicle for China, Japan, etc." are asked to repair the omission without delay, as the Hongkong section of the volume is about to go to press.
His Excellency and Lady Stubbs, accompanied by Capt. R. Neville, A.D.C., will leave Hongkong in the *President Jackson* at 5 p.m. on Friday, February 1st, for Manila, Philippine Islands, where they will be the guests of Governor-General Leonard Wood until February 9th, when they intend to return by the *President Taft* arriving at Hongkong at daylight on February 11th.
On Monday night His Excellency and Lady Stubbs entertained the following to dinner at Government House:—Engineer-Capt. and Mrs. Bromwich, Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Hollingsworth, Mr. Swire, Paymaster-Commander and Mrs. Padwick, Commander Ingham, Mr. and Mrs. Edkins, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay, Mr. Wade, Mr. Ferguson, Mrs. Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. Franks.
An estate agent of No. 9, Wyndham Street, has reported to the police that at 5 p.m. on the 28th inst., an old acquaintance of his met him and demanded money. The Estate Agent refused to oblige whereupon his former acquaintance drew a dagger and threatened him. He struggled with his opponent, who dropped the dagger. When he blew a police whistle the man bolted, leaving the dagger and his coat, which had been pulled off in the struggle, on the ground.

TO-DAY'S PIRACY.

A LOCAL STEAM LAUNCH TACKLED.

ROBBERS' EASY HAIL.

The latest piracy story to reach Hongkong concerns a local steam launch plying with passengers between here and Hau-Hai. The boat reached Hongkong yesterday afternoon with the assistant coxswain in command. His narrative was to the effect that his launch left Hongkong about midnight on the 28th inst. His destination was Hau-Hai. There were 80 passengers aboard, and some miscellaneous cargo. The launch got to Hau-Hai. Then, suddenly, fifteen men or so came aboard, overpowered two watchmen, and covered the passengers and crew with their guns. The boatswain was given orders to steer towards Pak Shek. About fifteen minutes later the launch ran aground. The pirates searched all the passengers, and then lowered themselves into a sampans, compelling the coxswain and the compradors to go with them. The pirates disappeared in the direction of Pak Shek. According to an eye-witness of the affair the sampans had not gone far before they were engaged by the steam launch. For a while a regular small arms battle raged, but it appears that the sampans managed to sail out of range without suffering any casualties. To Yan, the assistant coxswain who brought the story to Hongkong is unable to say what property the pirates took from the launch and has no idea of the value of the loot secured from the passengers.

ACCIDENTS.

An old man, aged 82 years, accidentally fell down stairs at his home at Upper Station Street, on Monday. He was picked up in an unconscious state and on arrival at the Tung Wah Hospital he was found to be dead.
A little girl, seven years of age, in attempting to alight from a tram-car whilst it was in motion on the Praya East on Monday, was thrown heavily to the ground and rendered unconscious, necessitating her removal to the Government Civil Hospital.
Yip Kam, aged 30, of No. 243, Queen's Road West, was knocked down in Queen's Road by a motor-car belonging to Mr. U. Ki of 24, Bonham Road, on Monday, but was only slightly injured.

SONGS OF A FLAT.

II.—HINTS ON BEHAVIOUR.

(No local or personal allusions whatever are intended.)
For local folk who live in flats. One method only of behaviour. Preserve your perfect peace, and that's the one that now I preach, your saviour. Attend to me—that is, if you'd achieve supreme beatitude.
Placidity! There lies the key. That opens wide a sunlit vista. Therewith, tho' in town, you'll be—Like Righteousness when Peace has kissed her.
Wise judges never will commend Folk who go off the deeper end.
When Government puts up your rates, (A well-known bureaucratic fetich.) And, when you seek relief, one states, "It can't be done," in tones Castilian: Don't give your angry passions vent; Just whisper "Labour Government."
When shroffs suggest one's rent is due, One's language should not be improper. One should not use a "32." Or aggravate them with a chopper. The best-bred people never do. So why should—or even you?
Above my flat there lived a hound Whose ways were mean—his master meander.
Did I with rage and fury bound? Not so. I thought a young blemish. Without one murmur of regret, (The upstairs flat is now to let.)
When next-door children's yells are howls, Re-echo wildly through the building, Restrain all misanthropic growls. Although the pill does need some gilding, Just leave the little dears alone, And start some babies of your own.
So, when your time shall come to die, And pass whence there is no returning, When mournful friends all pipe the eye, And you, no doubt, below are burning, Your epitaph shall tell us that, You had (and were) a perfect flat. E.W.F.

In appreciation of "good, smart" by the Hongkong Police, Mr. G. Karanjia, of Sharnon (Canton) asks the publication of the following story:—Saturday morning last, on coming of a barber's shop in Kowloon, I noticed my very valuable diamond ring missing from my ring on my finger. I had reported the loss to the Hong Kong police headquarters. Detectives were once sent round, the police sea again and watched and a description of the diamond was circulated. I gave as lost. But next morning, a European Police Officer placed in my hand to my surprise a diamond in my hand to my surprise. It seems that the Kowloon police had gone to work at once on men who found it, presumably gave the diamond to the Police. The man preferred to be more honest than was suitably rewarded.

BRITISH RAILWAY STRIKE SETTLED.

RESULT OF AN ALL-NIGHT CONFERENCE.

THE SECRETARY FOR COLONIES.

"ANOTHER SHELL-SHOCK PATIENT."

LATE GEN. PEREIRA'S COMPANION CAPTURED BY BANDITS.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RAILWAY STRIKE SETTLED.

LONDON, January 28th.
The railway strike has been settled. AN ALL-NIGHT CONFERENCE.

LATER.
The settlement of the strike was first published in the form of a brief official statement at the close of an all-night conference of Railway Managers and officials of the Locomotives' Union, with a Mediation Committee in attendance. The conference assembled shortly before midnight and keenly debated the points at issue until close on five o'clock in the morning.

The terms of the settlement are not yet available, but Mr. Bromley says these are very satisfactory to the men and steps will be immediately taken in hand for the resumption of work.

Union officials anticipate an almost normal service to-night.

EARLIER CABLES.

NO TANGIBLE RESULTS FROM NEGOTIATIONS.

LONDON, January 28th.
Negotiations not having hitherto produced tangible results, the secretary of the locomotive men declared that his executive was considering intensifying the fight.

BOMBAY MILL STRIKE.

BOMBAY, January 28th.
A strike in the standard mills due to non-payment of the workers' bonus is extending. Thirty-two of eighty-five mills in Bombay have closed down, rendering idle sixty thousand operatives. It is expected that all the mills will cease work to-morrow.

LATEST CABLES.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE A BRIGHTER OUTLOOK.

LONDON, January 28th.
There are signs that the foot and mouth outbreak has been subdued, as there were only forty-six cases last week, the fewest since September 27th.

HUNGARY'S FINANCES.

RECONSTRUCTION COMMISSIONER APPOINTED.

LONDON, January 28th.
The Daily Telegraph's diplomatic correspondent states that the Commissioner-General for the supervision of Hungary's finances, under the reconstruction scheme will be Mr. W. P. G. Harding, of the Federal Reserve Board, Washington. The appointment is everywhere welcomed by financial circles.

GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST IN ANGLO-PERSIAN OIL CO.

LONDON, January 28th.
The Chancellor of the Exchequer has announced that the British Government has decided that it is not prepared to dispose of Government shareholding in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company.

FRENCH LOAN TO RUMANIA.

PARIS, January 28th.
It is semi-officially denied that the Rumanian Government declined the loan, mentioned in a cable message dated January 25th, to which France had already agreed.

[The cable message referred to stated: "The Rumanian Government has decided to cancel its request to France for a loan of one hundred million francs to which it is understood the French Government was favourable."]

EARLIER CABLES.

EMPIRE NAVAL CRUISE.

TRINCOMALI, January 28th.
A feature of the visit by the British cruiser squadron, which arrived during the week-end, has been the daily crowds of all races, hundreds flocking in from districts over a hundred miles distant.

PALATINATE PROBLEM.

SEPARATIST MOVEMENT LIKELY TO BE ABANDONED.

PARIS, January 28th.

It is understood that the Government has proposed to Britain that the question of the maintenance of order in the Palatinate and the security of French troops there be submitted to the Conference of Ambassadors. The *Temps* admits that the Separatist movements have all been a fiasco, and adds that the movement in the Palatinate is apparently to be abandoned.

RUSSIAN UNREST.

LACK OF DISCIPLINE IN RED ARMY.

WARSAW, January 28th.

It is reported from Moscow that there is great unrest in the army, partly in consequence of the death of Lenin. The barracks have become the scene of political dispute, and lack of discipline is manifest. It is added that the central authorities are alarmed and are sending suspected battalions to the furthest provinces of Siberia. The garrison of Moscow has been reinforced by troops from the western frontier.

ITALO-JUGO-SLAVIAN PACT.

ROME, January 28th.

According to the newspapers, the Italo-Jugo-Slavian treaty of friendship stipulates reciprocal neutrality in case of war, also, at Jugo-Slavia's request, it provides for co-operation in economic and military defence, thereby giving a special character to the Italo-Jugo-Slav relations in all political problems in Central Europe and the Balkans.

OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES.

CHAMONIX, January 28th.

In the Olympic ice hockey contest, the United States beat Belgium by 10 to nil, and Sweden beat Switzerland by 9 to nil. Canada defeated Czechoslovakia at ice hockey by the huge total of 30 goals to nil.

OBITUARY.

DR. MARCUS HARTOG.

LONDON, January 28th.

The death is announced of Dr. Marcus Hartog. [Marcus Hartog, M.A., D.C.C., F.R.S., Hon. F.R.H.S., was a noted botanist and zoologist, and authority on biological physics. He also made special studies of physics.]

EARLIER CABLES.

U.S. OIL LEASES INQUIRY.

MR. DENBY'S RESIGNATION DEMANDED.

WASHINGTON, January 28th.

The House of Representatives appropriations committee has reported on a bill providing President Coolidge with a fund of a hundred thousand dollars to cover the legal costs of any prosecution necessary in the oil lease case. The Senate has discussed a resolution presented by the Democrat Mr. Walsh favouring the annulment of the leases. Mr. Walsh declared that unless the resignation of Navy Secretary Denby be in the hands of the President by sundown, he would seek the Senate's action to remove the present head of the Navy Department.

OTHER RESIGNATIONS POSSIBLE.
The Democratic leader, Senator Robinson, moved a resolution expressing the Senate's view that President Coolidge should request the resignation of Mr. Denby. He also proposed that the President should demand the resignations of other Navy Department officials and officers whose relations with the oil reserve leases indicate malfeasance in office. The motion went over, under the rules of the House.

FATALITIES IN A LODGING HOUSE.

PAWTUCKET, Rhode Island, Jan. 28th.
Fifteen deaths have resulted from a double explosion in a lodging house believed to be due to ignition of dynamite stored in the cellar by a woodcutter.

REDUCED AMERICAN PRODUCTION.

NEW YORK, January 28th.

According to the Federal Reserve Board's monthly statement, the production of basic commodities declined four per cent. in December to the lowest point of the year, reflecting principally the reduced consumption in the cotton industries. There were also reductions in the woolen, petroleum, and sugar industries. The production of pig iron increased. The volume of wholesale trade decreased.

U.S. MINE TRAGEDY.

SHASTATOWN, January 28th.

Thirty-one bodies have been recovered from the Lancaster Mine. Four miners, including the foreman, are still missing and are believed to have been drowned. Further search has been abandoned owing to the rapid rise of the water. The majority of the victims were married men.

U.S. INCOME TAX REDUCED.

WASHINGTON, January 28th.

The Committee of the House of Representatives has voted 23 per cent. reduction in the tax on unearned incomes up to \$20,000. Income under \$5,000 are classified for the purposes of reduction as earned.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DR. THOMPSON CAPTURED BY AND. BANDITS.

PEKING, January 28th.

Dr. Thompson, who was on the way to Peking with the object of handing over Brigadier-General Pereira's belongings and making a full report regarding the latter's death, was captured by bandits on January 24th at Paotowchen, some distance westward of the Peking-Suiyuan terminus. Dr. Thompson's last report said he hoped to reach Peking on January 24th.

[BY COURTESY OF "THE DAILY BULLETIN"]

CHINESE TRADE MARKS BILLS.

SHANGHAI, January 28th.

The *N.C. Daily News* says that dismay has been caused among foreign business firms by an Eastern News Agency telegram from Peking stating that the Diplomatic Corps are preparing to accept the new Chinese Trade Marks Bill.

It is believed that unless the modifications are of a strong nature grave injury will result to foreign business.

From inquiries wired to Peking, it is learned that a meeting of the foreign merchants there will be held this evening to consider the question, and to decide what action be taken unless a satisfactory reply is received.

PLOT TO SEIZE CHINESE WARSHIPS.

PEKING, January 28th.

Foreign telegrams from Nanking state that on the night of the 26th inst., while the senior officers were ashore, the junior officers and men on board the gunboats *Chutai* and *Kiangli* plotted to take the vessels to Shanghai. Information, however, reached the naval headquarters at Nanking, and reliable men were sent on board, while gendarmes and police were stationed on the river banks.

Admiral Tu Hsi Kuei subsequently paid the men's wages from his own funds, and a court-martial was held the following day, the results of which have not yet been reported.

The men stated that the non-payment of their wages was their only grievance.

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK.

TOKYO, January 28th.

It is reported that the British steamer *Mary Horlock* was sunk in 32.01 degrees North latitude and 133.45 West longitude. All hands were saved by the *President* Tuff.

FELLOW-WORKER IN LABOUR'S CAUSE.

DR. SUN'S MESSAGE TO MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen has cabled the following message to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald:

"Permit a fellow-worker in the cause of Labour to send you fraternal greetings and hail your Party's accession to power as marking a new era, not only in English history but in the secular affairs of nations."

"We look to you to deal with China, not as if she were still a conquered nation of the days of opium wars and Boxer outbreak (which has seemed to be the implicit or unconscious attitude of your predecessors in foreign office and successive British Ministers to this country) but as the home of a people whose civilizing work in Asia, both as conqueror and teacher, entitles them to at least the same treatment now accorded to nations whose sovereignty has been freed of pre-war fetters. And in particular, I have to ask you to examine afresh the fanciful views which some of your official subordinates hold of me as a Labour leader, and a Socialist."

—SUN YAT SEN.

So far as can be seen at present, the position of Dean of the Diplomatic Body in Peking will change six times in 1924.

Far Eastern Times prophesies. Upon the departure of M. Oudendyck, the Netherlands Minister, next month, his duties as senior minister will pass to M. Barret, the Cuban Minister, who intends to go on leave in March. Thereupon the vacant post goes to M. Everts, the Belgian Minister, for one month, as he is due to leave shortly afterwards for Europe. The next senior on the diplomatic list is the Spanish Minister, Marquis de Fuentes, who in June or July intends to leave Peking for good. The handship will then go to Dr. Schurman, the American Minister, and remain in his hands until the return of M. Baltha de Freitas, the Portuguese Minister, who is the *de jure* titulaire and due to return in October.

RICE CARGOES AT CANTON. ARMED FORCES TO PROTECT UNLOADING.

In spite of the strict orders given by the Governor to stop strikers in the rice industry from interfering with the unloading of rice cargoes from the ships and godowns, says the *Canton Gazette*, the labour guilds are still sending so-called "inspectors" to watch at the different wharves and anchorages so as to prevent by force other labourers from doing the work of unloading goods for the rice merchants. Yesterday (Monday) the Chong Shing rice shop in Wongsha went to unload a shipment of rice, which the shop had ordered from a rice dealer in Shaker several days ago, from a rice junk, but was prevented by the labour guild men. Later a detachment of soldiers was brought to the scene by the rice dealer and when the strikers refused again to hearken to the warning of the soldiers, a few of them were hurled into the river. After this the cargoes were unloaded without further molestation.

The Governor was again petitioned by the Charitable Institutions in Canton requesting him to take measures to prevent the strikers from interfering in the unloading of the goods by rice merchants, as the interference greatly affects the daily supply for the needs of the whole population in Canton. It is reported, that the Governor will see that the orders formerly issued are observed by the strikers, or drastic action will be taken.

THE MILITIA TO BE EMPLOYED.

Upon receipt of an official letter from the rice dealers' guild, a meeting was held at the Headquarters of the Merchants' Militia to discuss whether they should send their men to protect the merchants in unloading rice from ships or godowns. It was resolved that the militia should protect the merchants and thus protect the inhabitants of Canton from the high-price of rice. The meeting therefore decided to send the militia to the wharves and rice ships to protect the rice merchants from any interference by the strikers, but will take no side in the dispute between the labourers and the capitalists.

RICE IN CANTON.

Several weeks ago, before the rice strike in Canton had been declared, rice was sold at 12 to 13 catties to the dollar. The rice shops would deliver even 50 cents worth of rice to the buyer's house. At present 50 cents rice is a small package wrapped with a piece of an old newspaper and shops do not undertake deliveries. According to the vernacular Press, there were one hundred thousand bags of rice in Canton yesterday, which, at the rate of present consumption, would not last very long.

THE KUOMINTANG CONGRESS AT CANTON.

CABLE TO BRITISH PREMIER.

The following cable has been dispatched by the Kuomintang Congress to the British Prime Minister:—
Right Honourable Ramsay MacDonald, London.

National Conference Kuo-min-tang representing every province and territory in China and Chinese overseas now in session Canton passed following resolution:—

"Whereas programme this party in promoting democracy improving social welfare of people is in many respects similar to that of British Labour Party;

Whereas latter has recently gained triumph unprecedented in British history;

Whereas China, potentially greatest in world and immediately requiring machinery and implements for economic development can materially assist British Labour Government solution economic problems, particularly unemployment;

Resolved, that telegram be sent distinguished leader British Labour Party congratulating him and his party for success and expressing hope that British policy in China will no longer support militarism and reaction but will provide every opportunity for unhampered development of Chinese democracy and liberalism.

Major and Bt. Major-Col. A. McMunn, R.A.M.C., who was stationed in Hongkong when the war broke out and later served at Mudros, has been promoted substantive Lieutenant-Colonel. He entered the Army in 1901 having for six months previously served with the forces as a civil surgeon. He won his brevet and the O.B.E. in the Great War, and also had field service in South Africa.

THE PRESS IN THE EAST. THE IMPRESSIONS OF SIR RODERICK JONES.

Sir Roderick Jones, Head of Reuter's Ltd., was interviewed at Singapore by a representative of the *Straits Times*. The following is an extract from the report of the interview:—

"Just one final question, Sir Roderick, what are your impressions of the news cable services in the East?"
"As they are all Reuter's," said Sir Roderick laughingly, "I naturally think they are very fine services though not incapable of improvement. Reuter's want to go on giving better and better services. But that is a question of money—a question, largely, of what the combined Press in the Far East can afford to pay. What would be perhaps simpler," continued Sir Roderick with a smile, "would be to ask me about the newspapers of the Far East, including Singapore. My reply would be that, considering the difficulties the English printed newspapers have to contend with and the relatively small reading public which they have, the newspapers are very fine productions indeed. They are conducted as far as I have seen them on the editorial side with judgment and sobriety and on the news side there is a most refreshing absence of the yellow journalism, which obscures itself in some parts of the world. Taking the British Press of the East as a whole it is a conservative Press—I mean in the journalistic sense, not in the political sense. It is very proper that this should be so. It undoubtedly results from the sense of responsibility which British journalists possess in the Far East *vis-a-vis* the growing vernacular Press in different countries in the Far East. That vernacular Press is bound to be influenced by the English standard of journalism, and consciously or unconsciously is shaping itself upon the model of the British newspapers conducted in its midst."

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HIGH BUILDINGS AND BUSY STREETS.

SKYSCRAPERS NO USE FOR LONDON.

Mr. Raymond Unwin, F.R.I.B.A., chief town-planning adviser to the Ministry of Health, who, in response to invitations, recently visited America to help in town planning, says that the Americans are trying to discard the "upward" method of expanding their cities.

Unlike many people who have returned from the United States to London with glowing references to skyscrapers, Mr. Unwin has brought back a grave warning against building "up." In a paper, "Higher Buildings in Relation to Town Planning," which he read at the general meeting of the Royal Institute of British Architects, he said: "With every added storey the effective floor area per storey is reduced, while the cost per square foot is increased; the greater proportional number of lifts required take their toll of space from each of an increasing number of floors. You do not dispense with transportation by going up. You merely change the horizontally moving omnibus for the vertically travelling lift, and incidentally make walking for even short distances far more difficult. Every storey added tends to darken all the floors below. Spite of the bright light of New York, the number of dark rooms in which artificial light must always be used is far greater than with us. The consequent injury to health and loss of efficiency is said to be serious; eyesight is injured, tuberculosis and other diseases are encouraged."

The effect which higher buildings have in causing more crowding on street spaces is one of Mr. Unwin's biggest arguments against building upwards. Mr. Unwin urged that it should be realised in London that increased height means increased traffic congestion. Comparing Chicago with London, he said: "If the land in the City of London should ever be used to the same degree of intensity, I estimate the day population would be 1,845,000 instead of 415,000. In that case the narrow streets of the City would have to carry 4 or 5 times the present volume of traffic, which is already far in excess of their comfortable capacity."

Taking the country as a whole, only 71 per cent. of the electors recorded their votes at the recent General Election. In the London boroughs the figure fell to 60 per cent. Welsh boroughs stood higher, with 79 per cent.

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IN THE HANDS OF BANDITS STORY OF MRS. KILLEN'S CAPTURE AND RESCUE

LADY'S REMARKABLE COURAGE

PEKING, January 21st.

The outstanding feature of Mrs. Killen's recent captivity was her wonderful fortitude in circumstances that would have been extremely trying to a robust man, said Major Magruder in speaking to representatives of the Press to-day.

In the march from Tsao-yang the bandits struck northward, avoiding the highways and populous centres where strong forces of soldiers might be expected to be lying in wait. Over mountains and valleys the ragged army pressed forward, yet there were no troops in their rear and their dash to the north has not yet been explained.

The main bandit force of seasonal outlaws was divided into units that worked under Lao Yang-jen with military precision. Mrs. Killen was handed over to one of the units and she remained with it until her release. Most of the force were on foot, but a mounted unit carried out advance, flank and rear guard duties with real efficiency, each guard having a connecting file to pass information to Lao without depending on the guards of their strength or interfering with their formation. A day ahead of the main body advance scouts searched the country continually for regular troops. On several occasions the bandits turned east with the intention of crossing the line, but they always came into contact with troops and were again to the north. Once they resolved to turn to the west with the intention of entering Szechwan, but they had not come far when their rear was fired on by troops on a mountain and they once more turned back. On no occasion did they make any serious attempt to overcome the troops, which was probably due to the fact that they had very little ammunition, none of the small towns and villages sacked having yielded much ammunition.

The bandits devastated a strip of country about a mile wide as they rushed away from the south. Any opposition was met with immediate death. Numbers of houses were burned and with them all the supplies of the inhabitants. The consequences was that the people thus ruined, faced with starvation, went along with the bandit horde, whose numbers were thus continually swelled. It is said to have totalled some twenty thousand men, women and children when it was eventually broken and dispersed. Of these about eight thousand men carried arms.

Asked how many of the band escaped, Marshal Wu Pei-fu's officer said about a thousand, all men of Lao's old guard. With daily reports of the bandits' movements coming in Marshal Wu allowed them to come northward until they came into the loop of a line of troops spread north-west and south in the shape of a fish hook. There they turned first to the west, then south and then east, always finding troops ahead. They then began to ring like a mob of sheep with no outlet. There the soldiers made a general attack, in which a brigade of Wu Pei-fu's own 3rd Division took part. There Lao Yang-jen died. As far as can be ascertained he was mortally wounded by the troops, his head being afterwards brought in by some of his own men in the hope of thus buying freedom. When they saw that the column was doomed Lao's old men endeavoured to get away in small bands, while the people, who had joined from sheer necessity readily surrendered. What to do with these thousands is a problem for Marshal Wu.

At first Mrs. Killen suffered acutely. Knowing Chinese she heard her captors continually making offensive personal remarks. She was always under close personal supervision, and the strain told heavily for some days, but as time wore on she learned to take no notice of what was said. The march itself called for tremendous physical endurance. Her description of the bandit column on the march was interesting. The unit she was attached to occupied the middle of the force. Looking ahead once, she saw a stream of people wearing all sorts of dress, with a motley collection of arms and equipment, toiling up the side of a mountain, their faces eager and strained with anxiety to cover as much ground as possible as quickly as they could. In the rear similar groups pushed forward as fast as they could, and the situation was so hot that the bandits came to the conclusion that if they got rid of their captive, they could inform the soldiers that she was dead, and so the activities of the troops might cease.

On one occasion, as they were going down a steep hill, her captors resolved among themselves that she should be killed. They discussed the matter quite openly and told off an old man to perform the unpleasant task. When they reached the foot of the hill the old man led Mrs. Killen into a pretty glade, where the sun shone on a clear rippling stream trickling down a narrow valley. The columns had halted. Mrs. Killen turned to the old man and said: "Why do you want to kill me? I am not afraid to die, but it will do you no good."

He replied: "You are a good woman. I cannot kill you."

Thereupon he took her back to the column and said to his comrades: "I cannot do this thing. Just then the column moved onward, and the incident was forgotten for the time. Two similar experiences occurred during the march."

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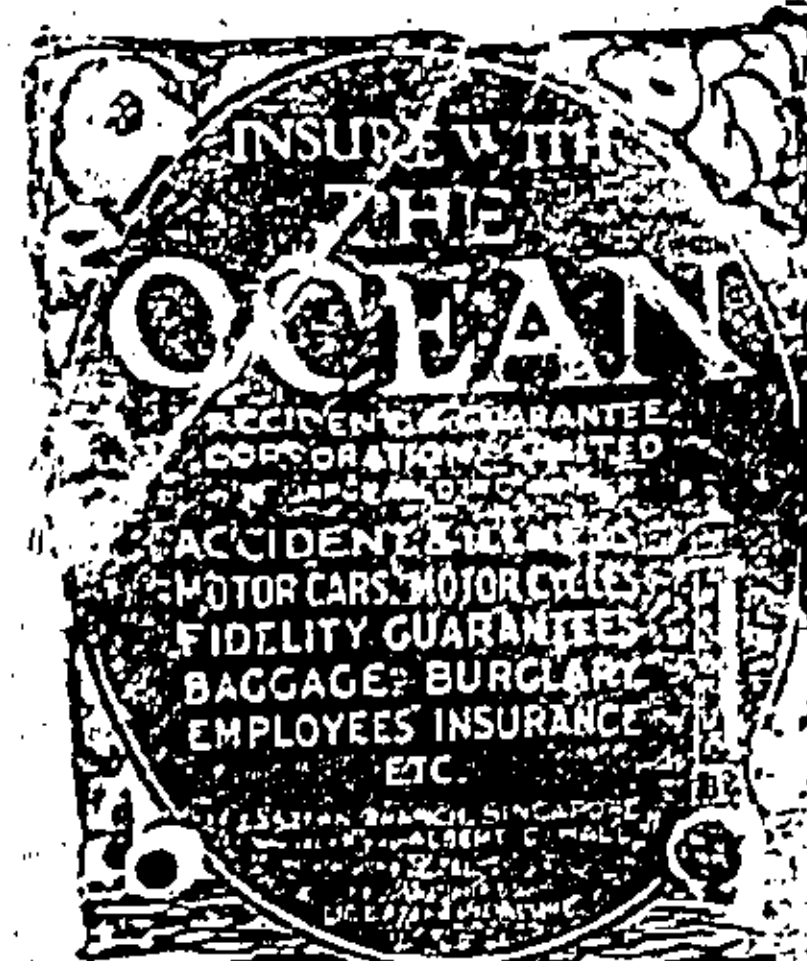
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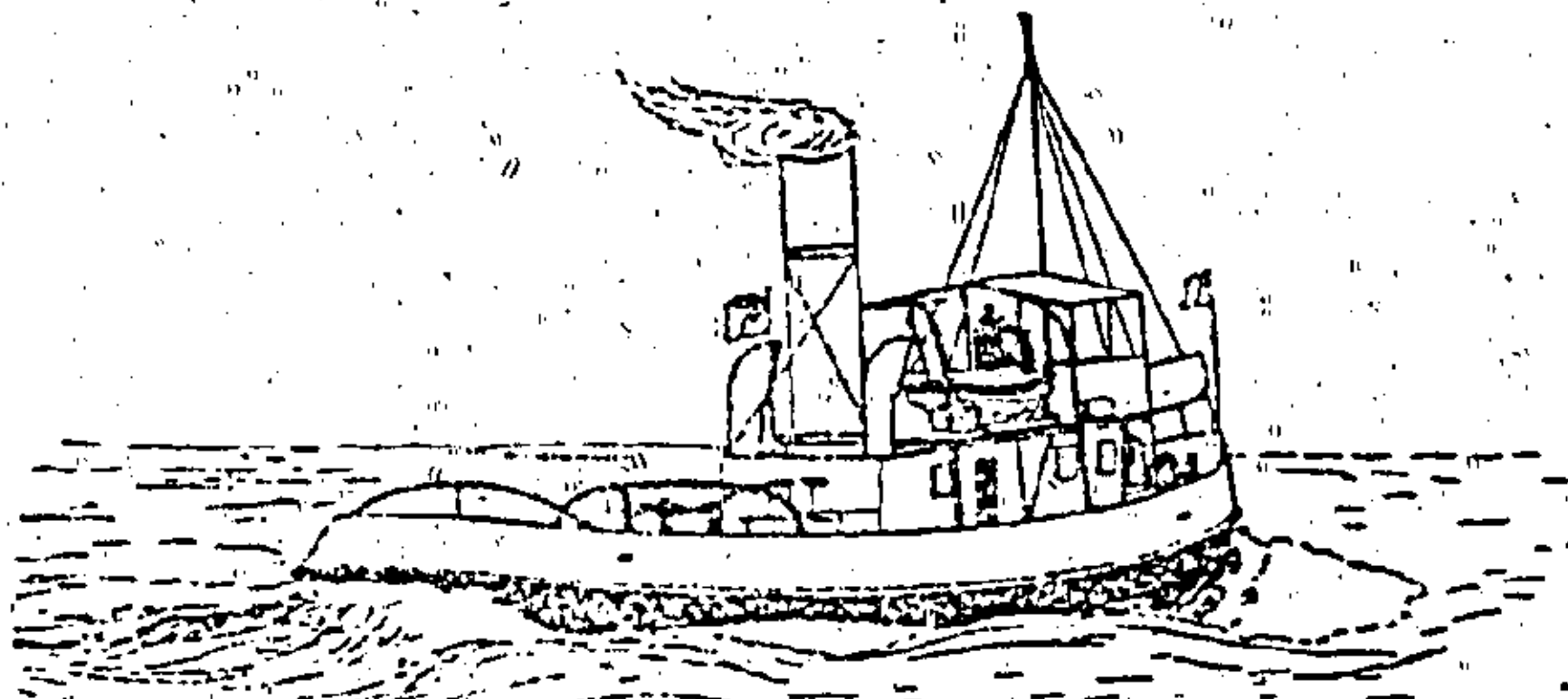
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[BY SIR HERBERT RUSSELL.]

The expression "A1" has long since passed into one of the most familiar terms of everyday speech. Everybody knows that it is borrowed from Lloyd's method of classifying ships, and that it means—well, just "A1." For its precise relative value as an indication of efficiency and general seaworthiness is what very few outside of shipping and underwriting circles could precisely define. Therefore some details upon the subject may not prove without interest.

The necessity for classifying ships according to their degree of seaworthiness was the obvious outcome of maritime insurance. The oldest copy of a Register of Shipping in the library of Lloyd's Register Office—and believed to be the oldest book of its kind in existence—is dated 1764-65-66. The classes assigned to the vessels listed in its pages were designated by the initials "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F," "G," "H," "I," "J," "K," "L," "M," "N," "O," "P," "Q," "R," "S," "T," "U," "V," "W," "X," "Y," "Z," "AA," "AB," "AC," "AD," "AE," "AF," "AG," "AH," "AI," "AJ," "AK," "AL," "AM," "AN," "AO," "AP," "AQ," "AR," "AS," "AT," "AU," "AV," "AW," "AX," "AY," "AZ," "BA," "BB," "BC," "BD," "BE," "BF," "BG," "BH," "BI," "BJ," "BK," "BL," "BM," "BN," "BO," "BP," "BQ," "BR," "BS," "BT," "BU," "BV," "BW," "BX," "BY," "BZ," "CA," "CB," "CC," "CD," "CE," "CF," "CG," "CH," "CI," "CJ," "CK," "CL," "CM," "CN," "CO," "CP," "CQ," "CR," "CS," "CT," "CU," "CV," "CW," "CX," "CY," "CZ," "DA," "DB," "DC," "DD," "DE," "DF," "DG," "DH," "DI," "DJ," "DK," "DL," "DM," "DN," "DO," "DP," "DQ," "DR," "DS," "DT," "DU," "DV," "DW," "DX," "DY," "DZ," "EA," "EB," "EC," "ED," "EE," "EF," "EG," "EH," "EI," "EJ," "EK," "EL," "EM," "EN," "EO," "EP," "EQ," "ER," "ES," "ET," "EU," "EV," "EW," "EX," "EY," "EZ," "FA," "FB," "FC," "FD," "FE," "FF," "FG," "FH," "FI," "FJ," "FK," "FL," "FM," "FN," "FO," "FP," "FQ," "FR," "FS," "FT," "FU," "FV," "FW," "FX," "FY," "FZ," "GA," "GB," "GC," "GD," "GE," "GF," "GG," "GH," "GI," "GJ," "GK," "GL," "GM," "GN," "GO," "GP," "GQ," "GR," "GS," "GT," "GU," "GV," "GW," "GX," "GY," "GZ," "HA," "HB," "HC," "HD," "HE," "HF," "HG," "HH," "HI," "HJ," "HK," "HL," "HM," "HN," "HO," "HP," "HQ," "HR," "HS," "HT," "HU," "HV," "HW," "HX," "HY," "HZ," "IA," "IB," "IC," "ID," "IE," "IF," "IG," "IH," "II," "IJ," "IK," "IL," "IM," "IN," "IO," "IP," "IQ," "IR," "IS," "IT," "IU," "IV," "IW," "IX," "IY," "IZ," "JA," "JB," "JC," "JD," "JE," "JF," "JG," "JH," "JI," "JJ," "JK," "JL," "JM," "JN," "JO," "JP," "JQ," "JR," "JS," "JT," "JU," "JV," "JW," "JX," "JY," "JZ," "KA," "KB," "KC," "KD," "KE," "KF," "KG," "KH," "KI," "KJ," "KK," "KL," "KM," "KN," "KO," "KP," "KQ," "KR," "KS," "KT," "KU," "KV," "KW," "KX," "KY," "KZ," "LA," "LB," "LC," "LD," "LE," "LF," "LG," "LH," "LI," "LJ," "LK," "LL," "LM," "LN," "LO," "LP," "LQ," "LR," "LS," "LT," "LU," "LV," "LW," "LX," "LY," "LZ," "MA," "MB," "MC," "MD," "ME," "MF," "MG," "MH," "MI," "MJ," "MK," "ML," "MM," "MN," "MO," "MP," "MQ," "MR," "MS," "MT," "MU," "MV," "MW," "MX," "MY," "MZ," "NA," "NB," "NC," "ND," "NE," "NF," "NG," "NH," "NI," "NJ," "NK," "NL," "NM," "NN," "NO," "NP," "NQ," "NR," "NS," "NT," "NU," "NV," "NW," "NX," "NY," "NZ," "OA," "OB," "OC," "OD," "OE," "OF," "OG," "OH," "OI," "OJ," "OK," "OL," "OM," "ON," "OO," "OP," "OQ," "OR," "OS," "OT," "OU," "OV," "OW," "OX," "OY," "OZ," "PA," "PB," "PC," "PD," "PE," "PF," "PG," "PH," "PI," "PJ," "PK," "PL," "PM," "PN," "PO," "PP," "PQ," "PR," "PS," "PT," "PU," "PV," "PW," "PX," "PY," "PZ," "QA," "QB," "QC," "QD," "QE," "QF," "QG," "QH," "QI," "QJ," "QK," "QL," "QM," "QN," "QO," "QP," "QQ," "QR," "QS," "QT," "QU," "QV," "QW," "QX," "QY," "QZ," "RA," "RB," "RC," "RD," "RE," "RF," "RG," "RH," "RI," "RJ," "RK," "RL," "RM," "RN," "RO," "RP," "RQ," "RR," "RS," "RT," "RU," "RV," "RW," "RX," "RY," "RZ," "SA," "SB," "SC," "SD," "SE," "SF," "SG," "SH," "SI," "SJ," "SK," "SL," "SM," "SN," "SO," "SP," "SQ," "SR," "SS," "ST," "SU," "SV," "SW," "SX," "SY," "SZ," "TA," "TB," "TC," "TD," "TE," "TF," "TG," "TH," "TI," "TJ," "TK," "TL," "TM," "TN," "TO," "TP," "TQ," "TR," "TS," "TT," "TU," "TV," "TW," "TX," "TY," "TZ," "UA," "UB," "UC," "UD," "UE," "UF," "UG," "UH," "UI," "UJ," "UK," "UL," "UM," "UN," "UO," "UP," "UQ," "UR," "US," "UT," "UU," "UV," "UW," "UX," "UY," "UZ," "VA," "VB," "VC," "VD," "VE," "VF," "VG," "VH," "VI," "VJ," "VK," "VL," "VM," "VN," "VO," "VP," "VQ," "VR," "VS," "VT," "VU," "VV," "VW," "VX," "VY," "VZ," "WA," "WB," "WC," "WD," "WE," "WF," "WG," "WH," "WI," "WJ," "WK," "WL," "WM," "WN," "WO," "WP," "WQ," "WR," "WS," "WT," "WU," "WV," "WW," "WX," "WY," "WZ," "XA," "XB," "XC," "XD," "XE," "XF," "XG," "XH," "XI," "XJ," "XK," "XL," "XM," "XN," "XO," "XP," "XQ," "XR," "XS," "XT," "XU," "XV," "XW," "XX," "XY," "XZ," "YA," "YB," "YC," "YD," "YE," "YF," "YG," "YH," "YI," "YJ," "YK," "YL," "YM," "YN," "YO," "YP," "YQ," "YR," "YS," "YT," "YU," "YV," "YW," "YX," "YY," "YZ," "ZA," "ZB," "ZC," "ZD," "ZE," "ZF," "ZG," "ZH," "ZI," "ZJ," "ZK," "ZL," "ZM," "ZN," "ZO," "ZP," "ZQ," "ZR," "ZS," "ZT," "ZU," "ZV," "ZW," "ZX," "ZY," "ZZ."

The next Register preserved at Lloyd's is dated 1768-69, but although issued so soon after its predecessor, it shows considerable changes in the symbols of classification. Instead of the capital letters "A," "B," and "C," the small letters "a," "b," and "c," are employed, whilst the figures "1," "2," "3," and "4," are used to describe the condition of the equipment. For example, "a1" in this Register denoted a first-class ship, thoroughly well-found, whilst "b2" denoted a second-class ship with inferior equipment.

In the third existing register, dated 1775-76, Roman capitals are again restored, and the figures "1" and "2" only are retained for equipment, these following the letters instead of preceding them. Thus, for the first time, we come upon the familiar classification of "A1."

THE GREEN AND RED REVOLUTIONS

In the Register Book for 1797-98 a new style of classification made its appearance, which, being scarcely equitable in its operation, caused considerable dissatisfaction amongst shipowners. The changes were of two kinds. The conditions of classification and the symbols indicating the classes were altered. The characters assigned were "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F," "G," "H," "I," "J," "K," "L," "M," "N," "O," "P," "Q," "R," "S," "T," "U," "V," "W," "X," "Y," "Z," "AA," "AB," "AC," "AD," "AE," "AF," "AG," "AH," "AI," "AJ," "AK," "AL," "AM," "AN," "AO," "AP," "AQ," "AR," "AS," "AT," "AU," "AV," "AW," "AX," "AY," "AZ," "BA," "BB," "BC," "BD," "BE," "BF," "BG," "BH," "BI," "BJ," "BK," "BL," "BM," "BN," "BO," "BP," "BQ," "BR," "BS," "BT," "BU," "BV," "BW," "BX," "BY," "BZ," "CA," "CB," "CC," "CD," "CE," "CF," "CG," "CH," "CI," "CJ," "CK," "CL," "CM," "CN," "CO," "CP," "CQ," "CR," "CS," "CT," "CU," "CV," "CW," "CX," "CY," "CZ," "DA," "DB," "DC," "DD," "DE," "DF," "DG," "DH," "DI," "DJ," "DK," "DL," "DM," "DN," "DO," "DP," "DQ," "DR," "DS," "DT," "DU," "DV," "DW," "DX," "DY," "DZ," "EA," "EB," "EC," "ED," "EE," "EF," "EG," "EH," "EI," "EJ," "EK," "EL," "EM," "EN," "EO," "EP," "EQ," "ER," "ES," "ET," "EU," "EV," "EW," "EX," "EY," "EZ," "FA," "FB," "FC," "FD," "FE," "FF," "FG," "FH," "FI," "FJ," "FK," "FL," "FM," "FN," "FO," "FP," "FQ," "FR," "FS," "FT," "FU," "FV," "FW," "FX," "FY," "FZ," "GA," "GB," "GC," "GD," "GE," "GF," "GG," "GH," "GI," "GJ," "GK," "GL," "GM," "GN," "GO," "GP," "GQ," "GR," "GS," "GT," "GU," "GV," "GW," "GX," "GY," "GZ," "HA," "HB," "HC," "HD," "HE," "HF," "HG," "HH," "HI," "HJ," "HK," "HL," "HM," "HN," "HO," "HP," "HQ," "HR," "HS," "HT," "HU," "HV," "HW," "HX," "HY," "HZ," "IA," "IB," "IC," "ID," "IE," "IF," "IG," "IH," "II," "IJ," "IK," "IL," "IM," "IN," "IO," "IP," "IQ," "IR," "IS," "IT," "IU," "IV," "IW," "IX," "IY," "IZ," "JA," "JB," "JC," "JD," "JE," "JF," "JG," "JH," "JI," "JJ," "JK," "JL," "JM," "JN," "JO," "JP," "JQ," "JR," "JS," "JT," "JU," "JV," "JW," "JX," "JY," "JZ," "KA," "KB," "KC," "KD," "KE," "KF," "KG," "KH," "KI," "KJ," "KK," "KL," "KM," "KN," "KO," "KP," "KQ," "KR," "KS," "KT," "KU," "KV," "KW," "KX," "KY," "KZ," "LA," "LB," "LC," "LD," "LE," "LF," "LG," "LH," "LI," "LJ," "LK," "LM," "LN," "LO," "LP," "LQ," "LR," "LS," "LT," "LU," "LV," "LW," "LX," "LY," "LZ," "MA," "MB," "MC," "MD," "ME," "MF," "MG," "MH," "MI," "MJ," "MK," "ML," "MM," "MN," "MO," "MP," "MQ," "MR," "MS," "MT," "MU," "MV," "MW," "MX," "MY," "MZ," "NA," "NB," "NC," "ND," "NE," "NF," "NG," "NH," "NI," "NJ," "NK," "NL," "NM," "NN," "NO," "NP," "NQ," "NR," "NS," "NT," "NU," "NV," "NW," "NX," "NY," "NZ," "OA," "OB," "OC," "OD," "OE," "OF," "OG," "OH," "OI," "OJ," "OK," "OL," "OM," "ON," "OO," "OP," "OQ," "OR," "OS," "OT," "OU," "OV," "OW," "OX," "OY," "OZ," "PA," "PB," "PC," "PD," "PE," "PF," "PG," "PH," "PI," "PJ," "PK," "PL," "PM," "PN," "PO," "PP," "PQ," "PR," "PS," "PT," "PU," "PV," "PW," "PX," "PY," "PZ," "QA," "QB," "QC," "QD," "QE," "QF," "QG," "QH," "QI," "QJ," "QK," "QL," "QM," "QN," "QO," "QP," "QQ," "QR," "QS," "QT," "QU," "QV," "QW," "QX," "QY," "QZ," "RA," "RB," "RC," "RD," "RE," "RF," "RG," "RH," "RI," "RJ," "RK," "RL," "RM," "RN," "RO," "RP," "RQ," "RR," "RS," "RT," "RU," "RV," "RW," "RX," "RY," "RZ," "SA," "SB," "SC," "SD," "SE," "SF," "SG," "SH," "SI," "SJ," "SK," "SL," "SM," "SN," "SO," "SP," "SQ," "SR," "SS," "ST," "SU," "SV," "SW," "SX," "SY," "SZ," "TA," "TB," "TC," "TD," "TE," "TF," "TG," "TH," "TI," "TJ," "TK," "TL," "TM," "TN," "TO," "TP," "TQ," "TR," "TS," "TT," "TU," "TV," "TW," "TX," "TY," "TZ," "UA," "UB," "UC," "UD," "UE," "UF," "UG," "UH," "UI," "UJ," "UK," "UL," "UM," "UN," "UO," "UP," "UQ," "UR," "US," "UT," "UU," "UV," "UW," "UX," "UY," "UZ," "VA," "VB," "VC," "VD," "VE," "VF," "VG," "VH," "VI," "VJ," "VK," "VL," "VM," "VN," "VO," "VP," "VQ," "VR," "VS," "VT," "VU," "VV," "VW," "VX," "VY," "VZ," "WA," "WB," "WC," "WD," "WE," "WF," "WG," "WH," "WI," "WJ," "WK," "WL," "WM," "WN," "WO," "WP," "WQ," "WR," "WS," "WT," "WU," "WV," "WW," "WX," "WY," "WZ," "XA," "XB," "XC," "XD," "XE," "XF," "XG," "XH," "XI," "XJ," "XK," "XL," "XM," "XN," "XO," "XP," "XQ," "XR," "XS," "XT," "XU," "XV," "XW," "XX," "XY," "XZ," "YA," "YB," "YC," "YD," "YE," "YF," "YG," "YH," "YI," "YJ," "YK," "YL," "YM," "YN," "YO," "YP," "YQ," "YR," "YS," "YT," "YU," "YV," "YW," "YX," "YY," "YZ," "ZA," "ZB," "ZC," "ZD," "ZE," "ZF," "ZG," "ZH," "ZI," "ZJ," "ZK," "ZL," "ZM," "ZN," "ZO," "ZP," "ZQ," "ZR," "ZS," "ZT," "ZU," "ZV," "ZW," "ZX," "ZY," "ZZ."

So strong was the resentment caused by this unfair advantage to London-built ships that a rival Register to Lloyd's came into existence in 1799, called "The Society of Merchants, Shipowners, and Underwriters," and produced "The New Register Book of Shipping," known as "The Red Book." The characters assigned by this new combination were the capitals "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F," "G," "H," "I," "J," "K," "L," "M," "N," "O," "P," "Q," "R," "S," "T," "U," "V," "W," "X," "Y," "Z," "AA," "AB," "AC," "AD," "AE," "AF," "AG," "AH," "AI," "AJ," "AK," "AL," "AM," "AN," "AO," "AP," "AQ," "AR," "AS," "AT," "AU," "AV," "AW," "AX," "AY," "AZ," "BA," "BB," "BC," "BD," "BE," "BF," "BG," "BH," "BI," "BJ," "BK," "BL," "BM," "BN," "BO," "BP," "BQ," "BR," "BS," "BT," "BU," "BV," "BW," "BX," "BY," "BZ," "CA," "CB," "CC," "CD," "CE," "CF," "CG," "CH," "CI," "CJ," "CK," "CL," "CM," "CN," "CO," "CP," "CQ," "CR," "CS," "CT," "CU," "CV," "CW," "CX," "CY," "CZ," "DA," "DB," "DC," "DD," "DE," "DF," "DG," "DH," "DI," "DJ," "DK," "DL," "DM," "DN," "DO," "DP," "DQ," "DR," "DS," "DT," "DU," "DV," "DW," "DX," "DY," "DZ," "EA," "EB," "EC," "ED," "EE," "EF," "EG," "EH," "EI," "EJ," "EK," "EL," "EM," "EN," "EO," "EP," "EQ," "ER," "ES," "ET," "EU," "EV," "EW," "EX," "EY," "EZ," "FA," "FB," "FC," "FD," "FE," "FF," "FG," "FH," "FI," "FJ," "FK," "FL," "FM," "FN," "FO," "FP," "FQ," "FR," "FS," "FT," "FU," "FV," "FW," "FX," "FY," "FZ," "GA," "GB," "GC," "GD," "GE," "GF," "GG," "GH," "GI," "GJ," "GK," "GL," "GM," "GN," "GO," "GP," "GQ," "GR," "GS," "GT," "GU," "GV," "GW," "GX," "GY," "GZ," "HA," "HB," "HC," "HD," "HE," "HF," "HG," "HH," "HI," "HJ," "HK," "HL," "HM," "HN," "HO," "HP," "HQ," "HR," "HS," "HT," "HU," "HV," "HW," "HX," "HY," "HZ," "IA," "IB," "IC," "ID," "IE," "IF," "IG," "IH," "II," "IJ," "IK," "IL," "IM," "IN," "IO," "IP," "IQ," "IR," "IS," "IT," "IU," "IV," "IW," "IX," "IY," "IZ," "JA," "JB," "JC," "JD," "JE," "JF," "JG," "JH," "JI," "JJ," "JK," "JL," "JM," "JN," "JO," "JP," "JQ," "JR," "JS," "JT," "JU," "JV," "JW," "JX," "JY," "JZ," "KA," "KB," "KC," "KD," "KE," "KF," "KG," "KH," "KI," "KJ," "KK," "KL," "KM," "KN," "KO," "KP," "KQ," "KR," "KS," "KT," "KU," "KV," "KW," "KX," "KY," "KZ," "LA," "LB," "LC," "LD," "LE," "LF," "LG," "LH," "LI," "LJ," "LK," "LM," "LN," "LO," "LP," "LQ," "LR," "LS," "LT," "LU," "LV," "LW," "LX," "LY," "LZ," "MA," "MB," "MC," "MD," "ME," "MF," "MG," "MH," "MI," "MJ," "MK," "ML," "MM," "MN," "MO," "MP," "MQ," "MR," "MS," "MT," "MU," "MV," "MW," "MX," "MY," "MZ," "NA," "NB," "NC," "ND," "NE," "NF," "NG," "NH," "NI," "NJ," "NK," "NL," "NM," "NN," "NO," "NP," "NQ," "NR," "NS," "NT," "NU," "NV," "NW," "NX," "NY," "NZ," "OA," "OB," "OC," "OD," "OE," "OF," "OG," "OH," "OI," "OJ," "OK," "OL," "OM," "ON," "OO," "OP," "OQ," "OR," "OS," "OT," "OU," "OV," "OW," "OX," "OY," "OZ," "PA," "PB," "PC," "PD," "PE," "PF," "PG," "PH," "PI," "PJ," "PK," "PL," "PM," "PN," "PO," "PP," "PQ," "PR," "PS," "PT," "PU," "PV," "PW," "PX," "PY," "PZ," "QA," "QB," "QC," "QD," "QE," "QF," "QG," "QH," "QI," "QJ," "QK," "QL," "QM," "QN," "QO," "QP," "QQ," "QR," "QS," "QT," "QU," "QV," "QW," "QX," "QY," "QZ," "RA," "RB," "RC," "RD," "RE," "RF," "RG," "RH," "RI," "RJ," "RK," "RL," "RM," "RN," "RO," "RP," "RQ," "RR," "RS," "RT," "RU," "RV," "RW," "RX," "RY," "RZ," "SA," "SB," "SC," "SD," "SE," "SF," "SG," "SH," "SI," "SJ," "SK," "SL," "SM," "SN," "SO," "SP," "SQ," "SR," "SS," "ST," "SU," "SV," "SW," "SX," "SY," "SZ," "TA," "TB," "TC," "TD," "TE," "TF," "TG," "TH," "TI," "TJ," "TK," "TL," "TM," "TN," "TO," "TP," "TQ," "TR," "TS," "TT," "TU," "TV," "TW," "TX," "TY," "TZ," "UA," "UB," "UC," "UD," "UE," "UF," "UG," "UH," "UI," "UJ," "UK," "UL," "UM," "UN," "UO," "UP," "UQ," "UR," "US," "UT," "UU," "UV," "UW," "UX," "UY," "UZ," "VA," "VB," "VC," "VD," "VE," "VF," "VG," "VH," "VI," "VJ," "VK," "VL," "VM," "VN," "VO," "VP," "VQ," "VR," "VS," "VT," "VU," "VV," "VW," "VX," "VY," "VZ," "WA," "WB," "WC," "WD," "WE," "WF," "WG," "WH," "WI," "WJ," "WK," "WL," "WM," "WN," "WO," "WP," "WQ," "WR," "WS," "WT," "WU," "WV," "WW," "WX," "WY," "WZ," "XA," "XB," "XC," "XD," "XE," "XF," "XG," "XH," "XI," "XJ," "XK," "XL," "XM," "XN," "XO," "XP," "XQ," "XR," "XS," "XT," "XU," "XV," "XW," "XX," "XY," "XZ," "YA," "YB," "YC," "YD," "YE," "YF," "YG," "YH," "YI," "YJ," "YK," "YL," "YM," "YN," "YO," "YP," "YQ," "YR," "YS," "YT," "YU," "YV," "YW," "YX," "YY," "YZ," "ZA," "ZB," "ZC," "ZD," "ZE," "ZF," "ZG," "ZH," "ZI," "ZJ," "ZK," "ZL," "ZM," "ZN," "ZO," "ZP," "ZQ," "ZR," "ZS," "ZT," "ZU," "ZV," "ZW," "ZX," "ZY," "ZZ."

The new society appointed a surveyor at Plymouth—the first of whom any mention is made. The older society had surveyors at Dartmouth, Exmouth, Exeter, Falmouth, Sturges, Teignmouth, and Topsham, so that we get a good idea of the activity of the shipbuilding trade in these places at the end of the eighteenth century. At the beginning of 1800, the "Green Book" of the original society numbered 233 subscribers, and the "Red Book" 125, but before the end of that year the former had received an accession of 78 subscribers, and the latter only 21. The result was that the Committee of the Underwriters' Register, or "Green Book," returned to the use of the former symbols, stated on the title-page that they were "Instituted in 1760," and announced several rather obscure modifications in their system of classifying.

The Register Book for 1764-65-66 gives details of 4,500 vessels. In 1800 the number had increased to 9,271, and the new "Red Book" contained particulars of 7,754 vessels. Chain cables appear to have been introduced in 1813, vessels supplied with them having the words "Iron Cables" noted against their names. In 1818 the initials "P.I.C." first appeared, denoting that the chain had been proved.

The first mention of steam in the "Underwriters' Register" is in the year 1822. In the supplement to the book there occurs the entry of a steam packet, named the *James Watt*, of 294 tons, built at Greenock in 1821, and classed "A1." The rivalry between the two registers continued for years. In 1833, despite many attempts at reconciliation, each was struggling on, but, we are told, "both the registers had got into such a desperate state it was not expected they would be able to carry on their operations beyond another year or two." Probably it was this situation which brought about a compromise. Anyhow, in 1834 the first edition of the well-known "Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping" appeared, and rivalry was at an end. In this new book the character "E" appeared for the first time as indicating a vessel of the second description in the first class.

FIRST REGISTERED IRON SHIP.
The first reference to an iron ship appears in the register for 1837, when the steamer *Sirius*, of 180 tons, received a character, without term of years, and the notation "built of iron." But no definite rules governing the classification of iron ships were introduced by Lloyd's until 1853. The first composite ship to appear in the Register was the *Tubal Cain*, 787 tons, entered in the edition for 1851, with the character "A," but for no term of years and the notation "iron frame planked." The introduction of iron and steel shipbuilding necessitated a considerable extension of the methods of classification. In the first place iron ships were graded "Aa," "Ab," "Ac," "Ad," which denoted how far they had been built in accordance with, or equal to, the requirements of the rules. In 1870, however, an important departure was made in the rules for iron ships, and the symbols "100A," "100B," "100C," &c., were introduced, these classifications chiefly affecting the terms of reserve. The "Red" class had been introduced in 1857, to mark a second degree of the

classification shown in this colour. The Maltese cross, which betokens that a vessel has been surveyed specially and continuously during construction, was instituted in 1833.

Lloyd's Vessel Register was established in 1877, chiefly through the activity of Mr. Dixon Kemp.

In this article I have merely endeavoured to give a brief account of the symbols of classification employed by Lloyd's, with some details as to their significance. Any attempt to describe the method by which these symbols are determined would carry me into a field of technicalities infinitely beyond my present scope.

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SHANGHAI via SWATOW	... "YATSHING" ...	Friday,	1st Feb. 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	... "LEESANG" ...	Friday,	1st Feb. 10 a.m.
MANILA	... "SUISANG" ...	Saturday,	2nd Feb. 11 a.m.
SANDAKAN	... "CHUNSANG" ...	Saturday,	2nd Feb. 1 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW	... "KWONGSANG" ...	Wednesday,	6th Feb. 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI	... "HOPANG" ...	Thursday,	7th Feb. Noon.
BANGKOK	... "LOKSANG" ...	Friday,	8th Feb. 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	... "MAUSANG" ...	Friday,	8th Feb. 3 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	... "LAISANG" ...	Wednesday,	13th Feb. Noon.
YOKOHAMA via KOBE	... "KUTSANG" ...	Friday,	15th Feb. 3 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	... "HOZANG" ...	Friday,	22nd Feb. Noon.
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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

January 28th.
Corvus, French str., 1,917 tons, Capt. Le Com, from Saigon, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters. Optong & Co.
Pacific, Chinese str., 311 tons, Capt. Lai Yee, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong wharf—Tung Woo & Co.
Suzong, British str., 1,383 tons, Capt. S. O. Mitford, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 17—J. M. & Co.
 January 29th.
Chengler, Chinese str., 518 tons, Capt. K. Katakuma, from Chefoo, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 129—Shun Tai & Co.
Chellie, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. 140.
Leonging, British str., 372 tons, Capt. T. Croft, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 125—J. M. & Co.
Shun Tai, British str., 1,225 tons, Capt. J. Mathias, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—B. & S.
Suzong, British str., 1,383 tons, Capt. W. Leitch, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 112—B. & S.
Sunghai Maru, Japanese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. 117.
Sunghai Maru, Japanese str., 8,837 tons, Capt. Y. Takahashi, from Yokohama and Shanghai, the latter port she left on January 26th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 12—N.Y.K.
Tamara, British str., 20 tons, Capt. T. B. H. Whytehead, from Calcutta and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Typhoon, Dutch str., 2,888 tons, Capt. J. J. Duit, from Mike, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 129—J. M. & Co.
 January 30th.
Wingung, British str., 1,317 tons, Capt. J. V. Simpson, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. 129—J. M. & Co.

CLEARANCES.

January 28th.
Cape Reifel, for Mike.
Suzong, for Swatow.
 January 29th.
Amoy, for Shanghai.
City of Glasgow, for Shanghai.
Hatching, for Swatow.
Kingman, for Swatow.
Shanghai Maru, for Takao.
Proctor, for Haiphong.
Proctor, for Saigon.
Shun Tai, for Canton.
Sunghai Maru, for Singapore.
Typhoon, for Batavia.
Tamara, for Saigon.
Wingung, for Swatow.
Yingung, for Canton.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. Co.'s *Perin* left Singapore for this port on the 28th inst. at 6 a.m., and is due here on February 4th (Monday), at about noon.
 The M.M. *Angers*, from Marseilles, via Saigon, is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 31st inst. at 8 a.m., and will be despatched for Shanghai the same day at 3 p.m.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Anbois (M.M.), due February 5th.
Angers (M.M.), due Jan. 31st.
Barclay (Bey Line), due Feb. 2nd.
Barkfeld (Admiral Oriental), due Feb. 3rd.
Chellie (M.M.), due February 10th.
Demolens (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 4th.
Empress of Australia due February 7th.
Gothic Prince due January 31st.
Gothic Prince due January 31st.
Hakusan Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 4th.
Katana Maru (N.Y.K.), due Feb. 13th.
Melanes (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 20th.
Perin (M.M.), due February 24th.
Proctor (Dollar Line), due to-day.
Proctor (Blue Funnel), due to-day.
 February 4th.
Siberia Maru (T.K.K.), due Feb. 4th.
St. Albans (F. & A.), due Feb. 1st, 7 a.m.
Tetras (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 15th.
Talon (M.M.), due February 10th.
Talon (M.M.), due February 10th.

SHIPPING NOTES.

An important group of British, Canadian, and Dutch Transportation companies has completed negotiations with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics for the development of overseas passenger traffic to and from Russia. It is designated the Russian Canadian-American Passenger Agency, with headquarters at Moscow. The Soviet Government are represented by the Russian Volunteer Fleet and the State Mercantile Fleet, and there are British, Canadian, and Dutch interests, one of which is the Canadian Pacific Railway.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 29th at 17.00—Pressure has decreased slightly from Chefoo to Formosa and over the Philippines. It has increased slightly at Hongkong and over N. Borneo. The anticyclone has weakened slightly. Fresh monsoon will continue along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 29th January, 0.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.04 inches, against an average of 1.31 inches.
 The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Jan. 30th is as follows:
 District Forecast
 Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, fresh.
 Hongkong to Cap Rock ... N.E. winds, fresh; to moderate; some drizzle or mist.
 South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocka ... do.
 South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan ... do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 29th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 3 p.m.
Barometer	30.18	30.12	30.10
Thermometer	56	57	57
Humidity	73	81	86
Wind Direction	NNE	E	NNE
Force	2	4	3
Weather	2	0	0
Rain	0.46	0.00	0.01
Highest open-air Temperature on 28th	57		
Lowest open-air Temperature on 29th	55		

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE

From January 30th to 31st, 1924.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Water				Low Water			
		H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	30	1. 4. 15	4.7	10. 9. 48	3.0	1. 4. 15	4.7	10. 9. 48	3.0
Thur.	31	1. 4. 48	4.5	10. 10. 47	3.2	1. 4. 48	4.5	10. 10. 47	3.2

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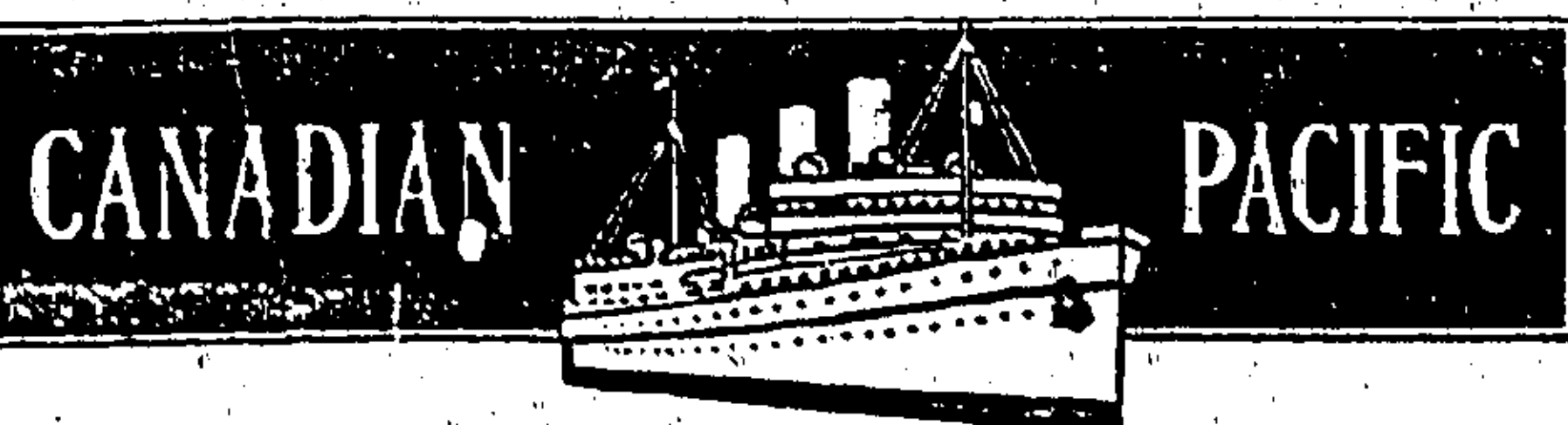
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Empress Russia	Feb. 7	Feb. 25	Mar. 10	Mar. 14
Empress Australia	Feb. 22	Mar. 12	Mar. 19	Mar. 16
Empress Asia	Mar. 13	Mar. 31	Montrose	Apr. 11
Elirussia	Apr. 3	Apr. 21	Montreal	May 2

Other Atlantic sailings every few days to Liverpool, Southampton, Glasgow, Antwerp, Cherbourg and Hamburg. Allotment of cabins on Atlantic steamers held here and through tickets issued. Early reservation necessary.

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MARSHALLS, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, &c.

SUWA MARU ... Wednesday, 28th Jan., at 11 a.m.

FUSHIMI MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

MITO MARU ... Middle of Feb.

LIVERPOOL via MARSHALLS & VALENCIA.

DURBAN MARU ... First half of Feb.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb., at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 19th Mar.

NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.

MAYERBACH MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

BURNS & ALBES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

KAMAKURA MARU ... Sunday, 17th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.

BARODATE MARU ... Friday, 8th Feb.

BENGAL MARU ... Friday, 15th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

AKITA MARU ... Friday, 8th Feb.

OSAKA MARU ... Friday, 15th Feb.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TANGO MARU ... Thursday, 14th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TSURUGA MARU ... Monday, 4th Feb.

HOKUSAN MARU ... Tuesday, 5th Feb.

KITANO MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

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SHINYO MARU (calling at Manila) ... 23,000 tons, Feb. 1st, 1924.

RIEGER MARU (calling at Daicon) ... 20,000 tons, Feb. 17th, 1924.

TAIYO MARU ... 22,000 tons, Mar. 14th (from Kobe)

TENYO MARU ... 32,000 tons, Mar. 27th

KOREA MARU ... 30,000 tons, Apr. 8th, 1924.

HONGKONG TO VALPARAISO.

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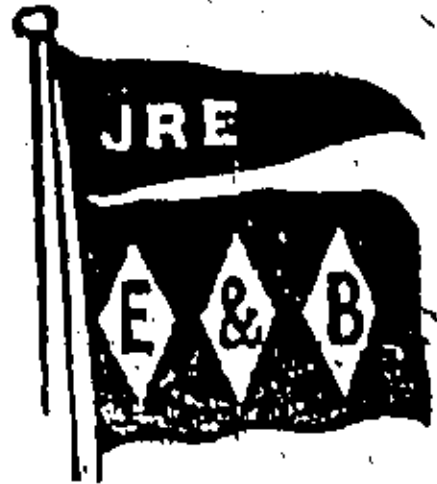
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"SOUDEAN"	8,896	18th Feb.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MOOREA"	10,911	23rd Feb.	B'way, Mars., L'don. & Antwerp.
"ALPORE"	8,833	27th Feb.	Singapore & Bombay.
"NAGPORE"	8,833	4th March	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"PERIM"	8,848	6th March	do.
"KARMAIA"	9,098	8th March	Mars., London & Antwerp.
"KIDDERPORE"	15,993	10th March	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"NALDERA"	15,993	22nd March	B'way, Mars., L'don. & Antwerp.
"PADUA"	8,807	23rd March	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"SICILIA"	8,813	28th March	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KHYBER"	9,014	6th April	do.
"CHINA"	9,053	19th April	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"BOUDAN"	9,053	26th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,118	3rd May	do.
"PLASSY"	9,087	17th May	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,087	24th May	Mars., London & Antwerp.
"KHIVA"	9,087	31st May	do.
"KASHEGAR"	8,840	14th June	Mars., London & Antwerp.

BRITISH INDIA - APCAR SAILINGS

"JAPAN"	8,053	5th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TALMA"	10,000	7th Feb.	do.
"TANDA"	8,958	22nd Feb.	do.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	2nd Feb. 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday.
"EASTERN"	4,000	27th Feb.	Island, Townsville, Brisbane.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	2nd Apr.	Sydney & Melbourne.

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"TANDA"	8,958	31st Jan. D.L.	Amoy & Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Feb.	Moji & Kobe.
"SOUDEAN"	8,896	4th Feb.	Shanghai.
"PERIM"	8,833	7th Feb.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"NALDERA"	15,993	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"PADUA"	8,807	14th Feb.	Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	8,813	14th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,014	23rd Feb.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"NELLORE"	8,883	8th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"CHINA"	9,053	8th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Mar.	Shanghai.
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"MALWA"	10,441	27th June	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th July	Moji & Kobe.

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SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KINGYUAN"	On 30th Jan. Noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"WANGCHOW"	On 30th Jan. 2 p.m.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 1st Feb. 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & SHANGHAI	"HUNAN"	On 2nd Feb. D.L.
SHANGHAI & SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 3rd Feb. D.L.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KWEIYANG"	On 3rd Feb. D.L.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SINKIANG"	On 3rd Feb. D.L.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHUSAN"	On 3rd Feb. Noon.
SHANGHAI	"KASHING"	On 4th Feb. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHANG"	On 5th Feb. D.L.
SHANGHAI	"SUNING"	On 5th Feb. 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"YUNNAN"	On 6th Feb. 10 a.m.
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 "CELEBES MARU" Wednesday, 6th Feb.

BOMBAY, SINGAPORE, BANTON & BUENOS AIRES—via Saigon
 "SEATTLE MARU" Friday, 8th Feb.

BOMBAY, SINGAPORE and Colombo.
 "ALPS MARU" (Calls at Penang) Saturday, 9th Feb.

SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE.
 "ANDES MARU" Tuesday, 20th Feb.

SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE.
 "KISHU MARU" Friday, 1st Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon.
 "INDO MARU" Wednesday, 12th Feb.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Shanghai and Japan Port.
 "ARIZONA MARU" Monday, 18th Feb.

NEW YORK via Japan Port, San Francisco and Panama.
 "ALASKA MARU" End of Feb.

JAPAN PORTS—Mo. Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama & Nagoya.
 "KEELUNG" via SWATOW & AMOY. Sunday, 3rd Feb. 11 a.m.
 "AMAKUSA MARU"
 "TAKAO" via SWATOW & AMOY. Thursday, 31st Jan. 8 a.m.
 "BOHAI MARU"
 "TAKAO & KEELUNG" Friday, 8th Feb.
 "BATAVIA MARU"
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CHILI	10th Jan.	10th Feb.	8th Mar.
FOUR ROS	24th Jan.	24th Feb.	23rd Mar.

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INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
SHANGHAI	Soochow ...	30th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Sinkiang ...	30th Jan.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson ...	30th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Chusan ...	31st Jan.
SHANGHAI	Summing ...	1st Feb.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Eastern ...	1st Feb.
JAPAN	St. Albans ...	1st Feb.
EUROPE via Negapatnam (Letters only)	Rosandra ...	2nd Feb.
London, 3rd Jan.		
U.S.A., JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Pres. Harrison ...	4th Feb.
EUROPE via Negapatnam (papers only)	Hakusan Maru ...	4th Feb.
London, 3rd Jan.		

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date
Swatow	Kingyuan ...	Wednesday, 30th, 8.30 A.M.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America, U.S.A. via Victoria, B.C., 20th Feb.	Tyndareus ...	Registration 8.45 A.M. Letters 9.00 A.M.
Strait, Ceylon, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, India, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st March	Sawa Maru ...	Registration 8.45 A.M. Letters 9.30 A.M.
*Java via Sourabaya	Tikini ...	10.30 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kiangchow ...	10.30 A.M.
Manila	Tan ...	1.00 P.M.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya	Samarang Maru ...	3.30 P.M.
*Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Saka Maru ...	5.00 P.M.
Amoy	Tan ...	5.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Canton Maru ...	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, *Victoria, B.C. and Europe via Siberia due Victoria, B.C., 23rd Feb. (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia" only.)	Iyo Maru ...	Thursday, 31st, 9.30 A.M.
Swatow	Hydrangea ...	2.30 P.M.
Strait & Calcutta	Lake Fault ...	3.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America, & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco, 23rd Feb.	Pres. Lincoln ...	Friday, 1st, Registration 8.00 A.M. Letters 8.30 A.M.
Haitow and Haiphong	Leasing ...	Friday, 1st, 8.00 A.M.
Manila, *Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and *San Francisco—due San Francisco, 3rd March	Shinyo Maru ...	10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Haitow ...	Noon
Swatow and Bangkok	Kishu Maru ...	2.00 P.M.
Manila	Pres. Jackson ...	3.30 P.M.
Manila	Swatow ...	Saturday, 2nd, Noon
Strait	Van Clon ...	Noon
Sandakan	Chuan ...	Noon
Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 15th Feb.	St. Albans ...	Registration 1.45 P.M. Letters 2.30 P.M.
Amoy	Excelsior ...	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Sinkiang ...	5.00 P.M.
Japan	Tylobock ...	Sunday, 3rd, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Amakusa Maru ...	9.00 A.M.

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Bank Bills, on demand	16 1/2
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Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
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On demand	110 1/2
ON MANILA—	
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ON SINGAPORE—	
On demand	98 1/2
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 A. G. STEPHEN,
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